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Go back to the States: Langer

Six are set for England



A recent picture of England, from left, back row: Terry Butcher, Alvin Martin, Paul Mariner, Peter Shilton (capt.), Alan Devonshire. Front: Luther Blissett, Sammy Lee, Derek Statham, Phil Neal, Gary Mabbutt, Gordon Cowans.

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Only six of the 35 players tried so far by coach Frank Arok appear certain to be in the Australian line-up against England in Sydney on June 12.

They are Terry Greedy in goal, Alan Davidson at left or right-back, Jim Cant in central midfield, Ken Murphy at left midfield and John Kosmina and Marshall Soper up front.

Arok has experienced a preference for hard running, hard tackling midfielders, so Cant and Murphy would appear to be naturals.

He also has said openly that on early form, Soper would be the No. 1 striker.

Kosmina has the score on the board in international, and he's also a tough guy who should be able to mix it with England's defenders.

Davidson has been among Australia's very best players for the past three years, so he too would be a natural, and of the three goalkeepers Arok has tried so far, Greedy has been in the best form.

That leaves a host of players vying for the other five positions.

Arok made eight changes for this week's training camp in Sydney.

He brought in: midfielders Zoran Illoski (Macedonia), Gerardo Gomez (Sydney City)

and Peter Stone (St. George), defenders Charlie Yankos (Heidelberg), Steve Perry (Brisbane City) and Steve O'Connor (Sydney City), goalkeeper Kim Wishart (Brisbane City) and also recalled Phil O'Connor (Wollongong) and George Christopoulos (Canberra) who missed the first training camp.

He left out: Bobby Russell, Steve Blair (SM-Hellas), David Mitchell, Joe Watson (Sydney City), Tony Henderson (Marconi), Peter Raskopoulos (Olympic), Greg Woodhouse (APIA) and Sebastian Giampaolo (APIA) who is injured.

Watson's exclusion is surprising, unless Arok simply wants to give someone else the chance to prove he is better than Watson on the right flank.

Arok had said earlier that no-one in Australia is better than Watson for right-flank play and for crosses from there.

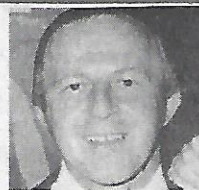
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The National Soccer League should hand its competition over to the State federations, according to a leading official of Ajax which is among the candidates for the NSL's new-look league next year.

Arnold Langer, treasurer of Ajax and a board member of the Victorian Soccer Federation, said each State should form a super league.

The winner of each should play in a round-robin competition for the national championship, he added.

"It makes no sense to take more clubs from the strongest cities — Melbourne and Sydney — and play in a separate competition, when we already have federations capable of running their own super leagues," Langer said.



Arnold Langer

He said the Victorian super league should be made up of the Melbourne-based NSL clubs, plus the strongest from the State League.

"Our VSF secretary, George Wallace, could run a super league with his little finger. We have the staff, the facilities, and the organisation. Why complicate matters and incur additional expenses?"

VSF chairman Michael Weinstein, meanwhile, believes the NSL cannot go ahead with its league restructuring next year because such changes require 12 months' notice.

But if the NSL does succeed with its plans for 1984 and maintains control of its competition, Ajax as well as George Cross, Juventus, and probably Croatia, Fawkner, Polonia and Morwell Falcons will apply to join.

The NSL proposes increasing the size of its league from 16 to 24 by including four more clubs from Victoria and four from NSW.

The league would be divided into two geographical regions but the clubs would play not only within their own region but also against clubs from the other region.

Juventus president Sam Marenti and George Cross president Alf Zahra said their clubs would apply to join, but both are confused about the details of the NSL's plans.

Croatia president Joe Sigur was too too confused to comment.

— LAURIE SCHWAB

SANE PAY THE ONLY CURE

It's extremely difficult to believe that the proposed surgery on the National League will improve the condition of the patient.

Our record with the various NSL projects is not too good and there is little reason to hope that after 20 years of haphazard tinkering with the problem things will suddenly change.

If the NSL in its present format is abandoned, the best would be to return to the various State Leagues. Carrying on with two zones, cross-over matches and then play-offs will merely postpone the inevitable.

But is the NSL really a hopeless case as it stands now?

And if it is — shouldn't the clubs take the blame?

Everybody knows that it's not the airfares that cripple the club finances — but the exorbitant payments to staff and players.

While it may cost about \$30,000 a year for a club to fly all over Australia for matches, it costs them five or six times that much in signing on fees, wages and bonuses.

So if we eliminate the airfare costs what will happen to the rest of the burdens which the clubs have taken on voluntarily?

It's not the \$30,000 travel cost that's hurting the clubs but the \$150,000 or so they spend on their teams. And no subdivision of the NSL will change that.

I fear that — as so often in the past — the ASF will plunge into a new venture with insufficient planning.

The first time the National League idea was publicly mooted was in 1964 when the then ASF secretary, Ian MacAndrew compiled a sizeable report and recommendations.

The same year two Sydney officials rushed to Canberra and registered the League — as sole shareholders.

One of them — a prominent elected official — also conducted "secret" negotiations in Melbourne. Later he was rebuked and replaced for his sins.

Then, around 1974, the old idea was taken out of mothballs. Most of 1975 was spent on meetings and informal discussions about the project.

Ultimately the decision was rushed through — in a vast hurry before the State Federations had a chance to withdraw their sanction.

The ASF was supposed to merely give its blessing to an independently run NSL. Later it changed its mind and decided to superimpose its authority completely.

But neither the NSL — Philips League, as it soon became known — nor the ASF ever thought out the problems in minute details. The motto was: "Let's start now and we'll make changes later."

And those changes have been happening ever since...

We have never had a steady, permanent policy on —
● Promotion and relegation;
● Post-season play-offs;
● The NSL Cup.
Consequently, to this day, decisions have been made on an ad hoc basis.

You've been hearing quite a lot lately that one of the bughbears of the NSL has been the lack of crowd support for visiting teams.

In other words — an Olympic v Marconi match draws better (relying on the fans of both Sydney teams) than an Olympic v Brisbane Lions game.

Why this should surprise anyone is a mystery. Surely the planners of the NSL didn't believe that thousands of Brisbane supporters would be regularly flying all over the country every second week to see their team?

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TV deal on way for big indoor tournament

Hakoah leaders out; 'backward' soccer 'not worth big cash'

By PETER SCOTT

The committee managing the affairs of National Soccer League champion Sydney City Hakoah was summarily fired last week.

At a meeting between members of the committee and the Board of Directors of the Hakoah Club Limited, president Frank Lowy made the announcement that former Hakoah president Sam Fiazman had been appointed to take over complete control of the club's soccer affairs.

Fiazman is a well-known personality in Sydney, having served as president of Hakoah more than a decade ago, as well as being deeply involved in Jewish communal and Australian Labor Party activities.

"My job is to complete our team's 1983 NSL season within the budget of \$200,000 allocated by the Hakoah Club," Fiazman said after his appointment.

The soccer committee stated it couldn't do this, and the Board of Directors has now appointed me to ensure that the task is carried out.

The shortfall is believed to be around \$30,000, which would still have meant an estimated saving of \$170,000 in 1983.

Fiazman categorically stated that his brief was "not to liquidate soccer".

However, he also emphasised that the Hakoah Board had not changed the views it put forward when it tried to withdraw Sydney City from the NSL late last year, a move thwarted only by a "revolt" of outraged club members.

"I cannot see any justification in spending huge amounts on soccer, with the present inadequate administration at the top of the game in Australia," he said.

"The ASF and its associated groups have done nothing for the sport during the past 10 years; in fact we have moved backwards, as proven by falling standards and attendances."

Fiazman emphasised that the occasional standout performance, such as that of the Young Socceroos, did not in any way represent the true state of the sport in Australia. He also made a point of stating that he did not seek the position of soccer chairman at Hakoah, "but someone had to do it".

"My main aim, apart from staying within the budget, is to make sure that we are not disgraced in the competition and that the team finishes in a respectable position on the ladder."

"I am, as is well known within our club, a firm opponent of 'buying' championship teams. An area where we have failed during the past decade is the development of our own junior system," Fiazman said.

The former team manager, Harry Lakmaker, was asked by Hakoah president Frank Lowy to continue in the position.

Lakmaker requested certain assurances, believed to have

been an undertaking not to sell any players for the rest of the 1983 season and a continued guarantee of financial assistance from the Hakoah Club at this year's level for at least two more seasons.

According to Fiazman it was impossible to provide such undertakings, resulting in Lakmaker's decision to resign.

The new soccer chairman did state though that "I cannot see a situation anytime in the future, when Hakoah would not be involved in the playing of soccer".

What level such involvement would be at has not been defined, but "there will not be any action without consultation within the Board of Directors and with members of Hakoah".

During Fiazman's previous term as president of Hakoah the club went through one of its most successful periods in Australian soccer.

He was also notable for his interest in and support of the development of Hakoah's junior system into one of the most outstanding soccer nurseries in Australia.

While many supporters are wary in view of his expressed disenchantment with soccer 1983 style, they are hopeful that a man with Fiazman's background in the famous Sydney club's development will not allow the gradual emasculation and disappearance of Hakoah soccer at the highest levels.

Buffalo Sports are prepared to pay \$20,000 for the rights to stage, under the auspices of the Victorian Soccer Federation, the biggest six-a-side indoor soccer tournament yet seen in Australia.

The Buffalo deal pivots on the ability of the VSF to gain TV coverage of the four-night event planned to kick off on either the last Monday in August or the first Monday in September.

The tournament will be staged at the recently completed \$10.5 million Victorian Indoor Sports Centre, part of the Olympic Park complex.

VSF publicity and promotions officer, Lew Staufra, posted submissions on Monday to Channel 9/28, the ABC and the Seven and Nine networks. 9/28 already is keen to cover the tournament and the ABC also has shown interest. Staufra sought ratification of his recommendations for the tournament from the full board of the VSF at last Monday night's meeting at Soccer House.

Staufra proposed that the tournament be run on a knock-out basis involving 32 clubs — the four Melbourne-based NSL clubs, the 14 State League clubs and the 14 Metropolitan First Division clubs.

His proposal called for eight matches to be played on the opening Monday night, followed by a further eight matches on the next Tuesday. That would leave 16 clubs left in the competition and they would fight for quarter-final berths on the Wednesday night, followed by finals night on the Thursday, involving four quarter-finals, two semi-finals, a play-off for third and fourth place, and the final.

Staufra recommends that up to the semi-final stage, every club receive \$100 for each appearance. There would be no entry fee levied on the clubs. Losing semi-finalists would receive \$500, the runner-up would win \$1,500 and the winning club would receive \$2,500. The proposed play-off on finals night for third and fourth place would be used to give the semi-finalists a break before the final, especially so as not to disadvantage the winner of the second semi-final. A skills contest also would be staged before the final to give the winning semi-finalists a further breather.

It would cost the VSF close to \$1,000 a night to hire the Indoor Sports Centre — \$700 hiring fee and close to \$300 in cleaning charges.

Staufra plans to charge a \$2 admission fee for adults and to allow children and pensioners free admission.

"The Indoor Sports Centre has just been completed and believe me, it really is something out of this world. It is absolutely magnificent," Staufra said.

"There is seating for 7,000 with a view uninterrupted by pillars or rails. It's superb. Part of the floor area also can be used for seating and if we decide to use it we can comfortably accommodate 10,000."

TV coverage seems almost certain, which means that Buffalo's agreement to underwrite the tournament to the tune of \$20,000 will be upheld. Buffalo then can sell advertising space around the centre as well as gain vital TV exposure for its vast range of sporting goods.



Poland, from left, back row: Mowlik, Milewski, Janas, Skrobowski, Rudy, Lipka. Front: Dzluba, Iwan, Smolarek, Ciolek, Palasz.

POLAND, NALLY LAUNCH NEW ERA

Patrick Nally himself came to Melbourne last week to launch Australian soccer into a bright new era.

Poland, Cameroon and Uruguay will be here in November to compete with Australia for prize money of about \$200,000.

Such tournaments will be played here every year, Nally said.

And he'll also organise international club tournaments to fill the coffers of the NSL.

Nally is managing director of the international sports marketing firm, West Nally Ltd.

He said his company had

pledged at least \$1 million in sponsorship to the NSL until 1986, with a view to backing the league for another four years after that.

Including sponsorship for the national teams, West Nally's backing of Australian soccer amounts to \$3.5 million.

In return, he has the rights to sell deals of his own to international companies wishing to use soccer as an advertising vehicle.

Part of the package he offers those companies is televised soccer from England.

And because he is involved as deeply in U.S. soccer as in the Australian variety, he is arranging a yearly play-off series between the champions of the NSL and the North American Soccer League.

He acknowledged that Melbourne is the centre of Australian soccer by allocating that city the final of the four-nation tournament on November 28.

All games will be played as double-headers, but the double-header planned for Adelaide may yet be split between Adelaide and Canberra.

As it stands, the schedule is: In Brisbane, Wednesday, November 16; In Sydney, Saturday, No-

in Adelaide, Wednesday, November 23; In Melbourne (final and third-place play-off), Saturday, November 26.

All games are to be played under lights, but no floodlit ground has been found that will be available in Sydney in November.

The Channel 7 network will televise all games through ATN7 in Sydney BTQ7 in Brisbane, HSV7 in Melbourne and ADS7 in Adelaide.

Prize money will be \$US75,000 for the winner, \$US50,000 for the runner-up and \$US25,000 for third place. Only Cameroon has been given a guarantee — \$US25,000 — and the others will have to earn their prize money.

Asked what part he was playing in the NSL's controversial plan for regionalisation, Nally said:

"Peter Sheehan (ASF commercial director) and I are spending a lot of time talking to all involved, trying to understand their needs and to avoid confrontations on this issue. We are trying to arrive at a plan that everyone accepts."

He said he expected a firm commitment from a commercial TV network to cover the NSL if the right league

KAT'S CORNER

with PETER KATHOLOS



The national youth team leaves today (Wednesday) for Mexico to contest the World Youth Championships. What a great feeling it must be for the players!

I'd like to congratulate coach Les Scheinflug and his assistant Raul Blanco for their fine preparation of the team and I'm sure the boys will do very well in Mexico.

The form and confidence shown by the players in their recent outings tells me that there is a lot of maturity in the team. They have the skill, speed and power to overcome most of their opponents although they will be tested of course by Scotland which took out the European youth championship.

Good luck, guys. I hope you bring back the trophy!

Much will rely of course on the key players — David Lowe, Tommy McCulloch, Jim Patikas and Fabio Incantalupo.

Congratulations to my Olympic team-mate, Tony Dakos, for gaining selection.

Tony, in my view, is a great player, and mature beyond his age of 18. He must be a certainty for the starting line-up against Mexico on June 2.

Commiserations to all the players who missed out on selection. I know exactly how you feel.

When the 1979 youth team was selected, I remember my own disappointment at being omitted from the preliminary round against New Zealand.

However, that made me determined to prove the coach wrong, and I did just that, returning to the squad for the series in Paraguay.

So, chin up, boys!

One player I believe should be in the squad is Terry Patalis of Sydney Olympic.

He's a very talented player and I predict a big future for him in Australia. Keep a note of the name.

He played his first NSL game for Olympic last Sunday, against St George.

It's often been said that if we want to improve the standard of our soccer, we must strive to have full-time players and coaches.

That way, players would be able to spend

Good luck 'Roos, bad luck, Patalis

the maximum amount of time preparing for matches, thereby improving many aspects of the game, polishing up certain skills and improving tactical know-how.

It's very hard for Australian players, working all day and going out to train three or four times as well, and then being expected to perform miracles at the weekend.

Look at the form of the youth team. It's excellent, but why? For a start, none of the boys work. They're either studying or playing soccer full-time. People may not realise it, but that makes a big difference to how you play.

I remember when I was studying for an Electronics Communications certificate I spent two and a half days at tech and the rest of the time on the field or resting. That sort of lifestyle gives a player a definite advantage.

Just a few words about NSW's 0-3 loss to Queensland in Brisbane.

It was just one of those games. They scored from a penalty and again five minutes before half time from a free-kick mix-up and five minutes after half time in a scramble.

The timing of those goals was important, but on the day, they also outplayed us, and we can't take anything away from them.

Our coach, John Watkins, can't be blamed at all. He had little time to work on us and wasn't helped by the non-availability of some players.

Also, we trained on a bad night — Monday, the day after league matches, when most of us were still bruised and recovering.

We should have trained on Tuesday or Wednesday, and missed out on a club session. It's worth considering next time.

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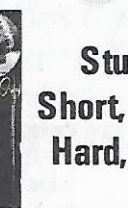
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Eaton, Smith hit the goal

Clive Eaton and Terry Smith, the former NSL strikers, continue to score at a tremendous rate, bagging eight goals each in as many games.

On Saturday, Smith scored to give his side a much needed 1-0 victory over Bankstown, while Eaton made sure of the points for Kuringai at Parklands Oval by beating McPherson late in the game with a well measured drive.

And while Eaton celebrated his old Sydney Olympic team

NSW State League with ALEX VESIC

battle for the top four will be on in earnest. Sutherland and Croatia battled hard but had to be satisfied with a draw at Seymour Shaw Park with Croatia certainly grateful for the point after some near misses by the home side.

Avala and Yugal drew 2-2 in a fiery encounter at Knights Park, while Blacktown sunk Canterbury despite having to play with 10 men for the last 30 minutes. Cliff Point was sent off for the first time in his career after clashing with a Canterbury player. However an 85th minute goal by McLaughlin sealed the issue.

Blacktown is back at the top but with Croatia only behind on goal average with a game in hand against Manly at Cromer Park. The date of the match has not been fixed. At the other end of the table, Auburn has lost its eighth match in a row and is looking for John McDonald to return and instil some fire. Polonia managed its first two points at the expense of Auburn to move ahead of Bankstown.

Blacktown 3 Canterbury 2

Scorers: Walker 40', Rasmussen 42', McLaughlin 65' (81), Hall 74', Theodorakopoulos (90' pen). BLACKTOWN: Freeman, Wheatley, Rasmussen, Brogan, Point, Salvage, Davies, Stoddart, Walker, McLaughlin, Kirwan (Quarney 62).

CANTERBURY: Elzein, Antonopoulos, Hartzel, Lewis, Palmer (69' Paulos), Anagnostopoulos, Vassilou, Hall, Basterfield, Theodorakopoulos, Mikiotic. Blacktown scored two late goals in the first half through Barry Walker and Tony Rasmussen to go into a commanding lead, then had to battle hard during the second spell to keep the points at Gabbie following the sending off of Cliff Point.

Rob Wheatley made the break five minutes before the end of the first half, but it was McLaughlin found Rasmussen on the edge of the area and that was 2-0.

game, but the home side managed to squeeze a goal in between to record its third win of the season.

It was Clive Eaton, the master poacher, who beat two players after receiving a pass from Stuart Reagan to beat Alex McPherson with a low shot.

Tommy Gavin, Eaton's teammate, also managed to improve if he is to run up a goal tally comparable to that of his striking cohort.

Campbell and Griffith made welcome appearances for Melita but that did little to lift the Eagles performance. Griffith, in fact, had the simplest of tasks to beat Curtis but lifted his shot over the bar.

At the other end, Reagan hit the post with the ball rebounding into the hands of surprised McPherson in goal. Having fallen behind in the 65th minute, Melita came back strongly in the closing stages but could not beat Curtis. All the shots which hit the keeper were well saved by the keeper while the rest flew harmlessly over the bar.

Sutherland 0 Croatia 0

Scorers: Terry Smith. SUTHERLAND: Haynes, Cashman, Watkins, Scharfeger, Dalmore, Clinch, Webb, Harrington, Molloy, Green, Rogers. CROATIA: Watson, A. Kovacic, Tomasic, Woods, Stover, Vidic, M. Kovacic, Savor, Arnold, Carr, Davies (85' Holovac).

This four battle at Seymour Shaw Park ended in a scoreless draw with the home side having more of the play and

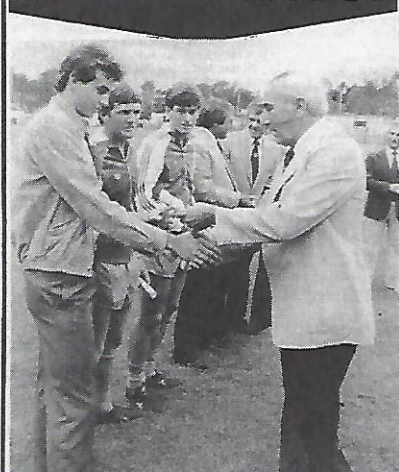
State League Results of round 10: Auburn 1-2, Kilkenny (A), Smith, Kowalczyk (P), 1-0; Yugal 2-2; Blacktown 3-2; Walker, Rasmussen, McLaughlin (81), Hall, Theodorakopoulos (C), Kirwan, Mifflin, 1-0; Eaton, Manly - Bankstown 1-0; Sutherland 0-0; Croatia 0-0; Inter Milan - Ipsa.

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BLACKTOWN	7	0	21
CROATIA	6	0	16
SUTHERLAND	5	2	14
MELITA EAGLES	5	1	15
Manly	5	1	14
Inter Milan	4	2	15
Avala	10	4	12
Kuringai	8	2	11
Yugal	5	2	10
Canterbury	2	1	10
Polonia	1	2	5
Bankstown	1	2	10
Auburn	0	8	7

State League 1st Division: Bankstown vs Blacktown City at Soccer Centre; Kuringai vs Inter Milan at Parklands Oval. State League 2nd Division: Blacktown United vs Belmont at Francis Park; Fairy Meadow vs Wollongong United at Police Boys Ground; Reddy Works vs Warrigah at James J. O'Connell; Uni of NSW vs Artarmon at Little Bay Oval. State League 3rd Division: Liverpool Albion vs North Ryde at Stanwell Park; L. Underhill vs W. Mc. Donnell at L.R. Wood Sports Rd. Inter Urban 1st Division: Fairfield West vs Haverhill-Zagreb at Parklands Reserve; Concordia vs Rowville Eagles at Maroubra Oval; Fairfield Kings vs Sydney Uni at Knight Park. Inter Urban 2nd Division: Crown games vs Transendence Sports at Bowdler Road. Inter Urban 3rd Division: Murrumbidgee United vs Haverhill-Zagreb at Parklands Reserve; Concordia vs Rowville Eagles at Maroubra Oval; Fairfield Kings vs Sydney Uni at Knight Park. Inter Urban 4th Division: Rangers Highgate vs Rowville at Hapstead Stadium; Murray Farm Rangers vs Dulwich Hill at Murray Farm Reserve.

Inter Urban 5th Division: Concordia Juniors vs Jefferson United at Edwards Park; Sun Coast vs Castle Hill at Clayton Reserve. SUNDAY State League 1st Division: Polonia vs Sutherland Shire at Chiswick Park; S.S.C. Yugal vs Auburn at Chiswick Park; Cast. Hill City vs Hapstead at Arlington Oval; Melita Eagles vs Concordia Sports at Melita Stadium. Inter Urban 1st Division: Don Wily vs Glenview Rangers at Graham Reserve; Parramatta City vs Rockdale Ilinden at Garraway Park; North Blacktown vs Parramatta United at Potts Park. State League 2nd Division: Fairfield vs Concordia Park E/S at Erskineville Oval; Lane Cove United vs Bondi Marine at Potts Park; Belmont 75 vs Blacktown Hills; C.S.I. vs Campbelltown City at Schofields Park. Inter Urban 1st Division: Port Reading vs Melinda United at Seymour Shaw Park; King Tomlinson vs Eastern Creek at King Tomlinson Park; Wenty Wanta vs Spanish Club at Canterbury Park. Inter Urban 2nd Division: West St George vs Chelsea at Evans Park; Eastwood S/S vs Sydney Macdonald at Lower Eastwood Oval; Pagnonville Sports at Westwood Oval; Westwood United vs Padstow Park at Caversham Park. Inter Urban 3rd Division: Ryde District vs Blacktown Wanderers at Hall Park; Hapstead B/Ducks vs Gran Valley United at Seamen Park; Ryde vs Smithfield Wanderers at Pacific Oval; Liverpool City vs Rowville Rangers at Ender Smith Reserve. Inter Urban 4th Division: Blacktown Workers vs Liverpool Rangers at Layton Reserve; Colo Colo vs Chisham at Ireland's Bridge; Hapstead Rangers vs South Sydney at Tahmor Sports Ground; Hapstead Posidon vs Lithgow Wanderers at Jeffery Reserve. Inter Urban 5th Division: Wakeford Sports vs St. Mary's R.S.L. at Endowment Reserve; Liverpool United vs Santiago Wanderers at Jarrard Park; Laneville United vs Argentinian Ltd at Lorne Oval.

GOOD LUCK IN MEXICO LADS!



Alderman Brusasco (right) on behalf of the Queensland Soccer Federation, makes a presentation to Queensland's young Socceros, before they head off to represent Australia in Mexico in the World Youth Cup next month. From left: Steve Glockner, Russell Stewart, Danny Wright. Picture by CARLOS PICASSO.

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LAUGHS WITH THE DOC

By JOE DOCHERTY

Then again, Tommy Anderson has spouted out a few philosophical gems in his capacity as a TV commentator. Seriously though, we all wish the lads the very best of luck in Mexico. SSSHH! Last week I was walking down Elwood and I noticed a soccer game in progress on one of the parks. I wandered behind one of the goals and during a break I asked the goalkeeper who was playing. "The Knights of St. Columbus are playing the Freemasons," he said. "Who's winning?" I asked. His reply was: "I can't tell you, it's a secret".

STROKE OF LUCK: Shocker Myles was playing golf with his boss last week. They were on the seventh tee and his boss had a heart attack. Shocker made him count it as a stroke!

ONE OF THE BOYS: Polonia's end of season trip should be a cracker. Big Alex Marshall can't go unless he takes his girlfriend. She must have the biggest thumb in the world. (ED: Marshall claims to be the biggest player in the world).

PAPER COWBOY: A sheriff walks into the saloon and goes over to the bar. "Can I help you?" asks the barman. "Yeah, I want some strangers in town?" says the sheriff.

"Not that I know of," says the barman. "What does this stranger look like?" "Tall guy," says the sheriff, "and he's wearing a paper hat, paper bandana, paper shirt, paper waist coat, paper pants, paper boots, paper spurs, paper holsters with two paper guns." "What's he wanted for?" says the barman. The sheriff looks at him and says: "RUSTLING".

STEVIE WONDER: By the way, if any of you are feeling a bit down or things are rather flat, then I have the answer for you.

Get Stevie Irvine (Croydon City) to come and visit you but ask him to wear his new pull-over. It's the only pull-over that shrinks at you when you walk in the door. I think he got it out of Douglas Hi-Fi cause it's got a volume colour at the bottom of it. The colour? Yellow (with a 15,000 watt bulb underneath). The

REGIONALISATION: To begin with it's a big word all right. But if you want a laugh, ask some of our soccer intellectuals to explain it. You'll wet yourself.

One character told me that the teams near the beach will be in the Bayville League! Another told me that if they try it, then there will be a march against it. Then there are some people who react quite dramatically, you know the sort of thing. "I see Victoria has got Regionalisation... Oh! my God that's what her brother Sydney died of." Or, we could have, live at the Windsor Castle, Danny McPherson and Regionalisation.

Liam Houston doesn't know what it is but says it tastes no bad was a load of coke in it and a stubby to wash it down. Still never mind when it comes everybody gets an explanation of what it's all about. Then it will be great, all the powers that be get something else in their minds. How about aerialisation, or citylisation or oceanalisation, countrylisation, or maybe even lunarisation, then we will all get to meet the man on the moon.

LANGUAGE OVERCOME: The young Socceros leave today (Wed) for Mexico to perform in the World Youth Cup. They seem to be pretty well prepared, good training camps, some good practise matches, some played, others arranged. One big bonus they have though, is the fact that assistant coach Raul Blanco is quite adept at the local lingo. Now then, here's my plan.

As you know, Scotland is in the same section, so why not send Tommy Anderson (or Liam Houston) with the team as Scottish interpreters. On second thoughts leave Liam here, two or three glasses of Tequila and Beep-Beep has a language all of his own. Tommy is just perfect for decoding gems of Scottish tactical plans such as "flew surr punt ra' baw down in the space" or "Watch yon big deep knee-creeping doon oor blin' side" or "Shut yerr peggy or I'll stoat ye" (an expression only used under severe provocation). The first two are instructions to use the open space and to pick up defenders coming forward. Here are some more Scottish expressions:

Gie it pelters - Work Hard. A' want bags o' stick - A request for more physical effort. Haw surr!! Gie yon baw a richt skud!!! - Kilmarnock request for the ball to be hit hard.

Oor shy!! - Our throw-in. Stoot-up - A dropped ball. A brammer baw - A good ball.

Other Croydon "Vogue Magazine contender", Mick Rainey also has a nice quiet sweater. Mick and Stevie stood together in the Croydon Club after the game and it's the only time we've ever seen a rainbow having a drink.

DINK TIME: Over the past few weeks there have been quite a few Dink-A-Clams going around, but top of the list goes to Kenny Taylor (J.U.S.T.). Why? At work, Sel-coat's answer to Frank Field runs the footy tipping competition. Also he has been giving words like Bombers, Pinks, Dogs, Demons, etc. Kenny boy, go to the top of the Dink Clam.

Dink No. two goes to Stevie Blair. He went to the "footy" with his boss last week and I believe he was wearing a "Beanie" (in club colours of course). As they say here in Dinkland Stevie, 10 points on the Dinkometer.

DAVE MITCHELL and Willie Murray of Sydney City are a right couple of dinks, especially "Big Mitch" who knows, and I quote, "a beaut disco with plenty shelles." Don't worry, or as "Wee Willie" would say, "No worries," boys, the lads down here are making your dink cards.

KIT GREENCHAM gets nine points for the Advance Australia track suit. Actually, there have been quite a few of the lads sporting a few sweaters etc. with the Aussie logo on them. Keweenaw Gilmour was spotted wearing a lovely dark blue woollie with the Australian flag on it. Benjie Ferlie was at the Croydon v Polonia game last week and he was wearing a cute little grey "off the shoulder" outfit with an Australian motif. Oh! I nearly forgot. Kenny Smart and Dougie Brown both seen at training with footy shorts on.

A complete team, that's Newcastle!

Canberra 0 Newcastle 1

Scorer: Jones 46th.
CANBERRA: Hossowski 8; Young 7, Murray 7, Bryant 8, Christopoulos 8; T. Byrne 7, G. Byrne 7, Cole 7; MacLaren 7, Gibson 8, Farina 7.
NEWCASTLE: Gosling 8, Boagard 7, Tredinnick 7, Mason 7, Watson 7, Bourke 7, Cowburn 7; Lee 8, Mountford 7, Jones 8, Brandt 7 (Senkalski 78th).
 Ref: Glyn Davies.
 Yellow Cards: Young, Bryant, Murray, G. Byrne, Tredinnick, Boagard.
 Crowd: 2,518.

A solitary goal just 60 seconds into the second half by David Jones was enough to send Newcastle to the top of the ladder.

Jones was deputising for youngster David Lowe who was rested as he leaves for Mexico today (Wednesday) with Australia's World Youth Cup squad.

The avalanche of bookings will hit Canberra hard for they mean an automatic one-match suspension for young Jim Murray as he was already on 11 points before the game.

Even without Lowe, Newcastle is a complete team. That was summed up by coach Ken Kaiser.

"We are not a team of stars. We are a squad of 16 that now believes itself to be a good team."

"It reflects in the lads' play as they are all working 90 minutes. We came to Canberra knowing we would be up against it but I felt we did enough to win."



Peter Windsor

"I wouldn't single out any particular player for praise. It was a solid team performance."

And opposite number George Murray: "Yes, I'm disappointed. To win you must compete man-for-man for 90 minutes."

"We didn't and that's what brought about the defeat."

David Jones' goal came straight after the second half whistle.

Throughout the remainder of the game only three other

clear chances emerged — two of them to Canberra.

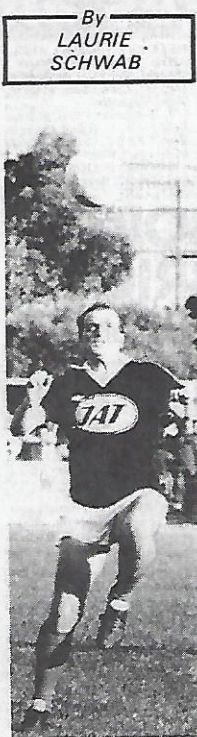
The first came after just four minutes when a superbly struck Steve Bryant free-kick went up and over the wall and was dipping under the crossbar when it was finger-tipped away by Clint Gosling.

And he's a young man who looks to be a real find.

Into the second half Canberra also came close when a Bryant corner was headed out but straight to Cole and the Kiwi international's shot rapped the top of the crossbar.

Canberra played young World Youth Cup striker Frank Farina but he was contained — and also allowed George Christopoulos to play a full game — his first since injury in the competition's opening round.

And Christopoulos was a huge success in his unaccustomed role as sweeper.



Ian Purdie

Patalis dazzles but Wilkinson wins it



Roger Sherack

Olympic 1 St. George 2

Scorers: SG: J. O'Shea 7, Wilkinson; Olympic: Coady.
 Venue: Prattan Park.
 Crowd: 4491.
 Referee: Tony Baskovic 8.
SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Meier 8 — Rogers 7, Coady 7, Herbert 7, Jennings 7 — Patalis 9, Soper 7, Koussas 6, Kalantzis 7.
ST. GEORGE BUDAPEST:

Greedy 8 — Skeen 7, Ratcliffe 7, M. O'Shea 7, R. O'Shea 7 — Barton 8, J. O'Shea 7, Stone 7 — Slater 6, Muskovits 6 (Wilkinson 65th), Marton 8.

Terry Patalis, making his NSL debut for Sydney Olympic, was a delight to watch. If ever there was a future national team player, he is the one.

But unfortunately for Patalis and his entertaining, enterprising team, it was St. George that tasted the glory of victory, due to the determination of Mark Barton and the aerial power of Paul Wilkinson.

The game was locked at 1-1, and Olympic was by far the more impressive team, as Saints coach Frank Arok sent Wilkinson on as a substitute.

Barton, who played on with blood streaming down his face after a heavy knock, made a powerful run past defenders to the byline and crossed to Wilkinson who rose high and headed in the winning goal.

Peter Katholos, with help from Peter Raskopoulos, ran the midfield for Olympic, and Patalis, on the flank, was involved in every attacking move.

Praise also must go to 15-year-old Chris Kalantzis, brought into the Olympic side for his NSL debut, after having played for Olympic's under 16s the previous day.

John O'Shea shot Saints into the lead after about five minutes but it took only seconds for Mike Coady, who had come up from defence, to equalise.

Lujic down but no penalty

Foots JUST 0 Heidelberg 0

Venue: Schindler Reserve.
 Crowd: 1985.
 Cautions: Purdie, Paton.
 Referee: Sam Zoumas 3.
FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T.: Boland 8 — Tull 7 — Kyriakoulas 8, Hazabent 7 — Taylor 6, Belic 9, Curovic 7, Paton 7, Purdie 6 (G. Macleod 77th) — Carroll 8, Lujic 7.
HEIDELBERG-ALEXANDER: Oly 7 — Mektia 7, Vankos 7, Macleod 7, Spanos 6 — Selemidis 6, Angelo 5, Campbell 5, Valentine 5 — Patterson 5 (Toro 70th), Lea 8.

A serious mistake by referee Sam Zoumas cost Footscray J.U.S.T. victory, after Heidelberg had won its chance to win in the first half, during which shots by Theo Selemidis and Joe Angele hit the crossbar.

With four minutes to play, Zdravko Lujic was trying to dribble around Ian McKie on the left, inside the penalty area.

McKie took a swipe at the ball, missed it and connected instead with Lujic's knee.

It was as clear a penalty as you ever would see, but Zoumas waved play on.

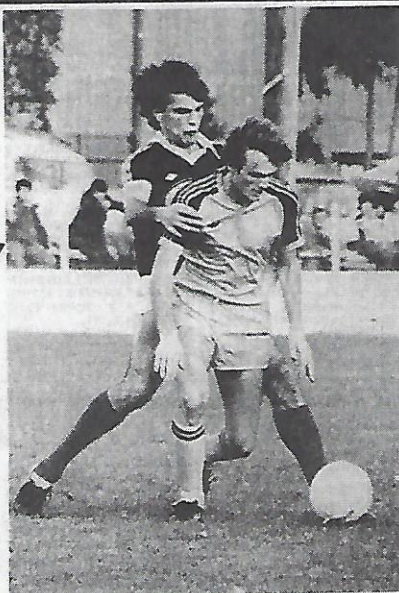
Heidelberg players claimed they were deprived of a goal by Zoumas earlier in the game, when Vlatko Belic cleared off the line from Heidelberg's best player, Derek Lea.

There were angry scenes as Heidelberg claimed the ball already had crossed the line. Even Belic wasn't sure after the game whether or not the ball had gone in.

J.U.S.T. played a defensive game throughout, relying on breaks via Joe Carroll and Zdravko Lujic. Saleman Curovic marked Jim Campbell out of the game and a five-man midfield, including Belic who also dropped back into defence, stifled Heidelberg's game with relentless tackling and by closing down quickly.

Ian Purdie, Canberra's top scorer last year, made his J.U.S.T. debut at the expense of Vlad Simic, and displayed all his skill and commitment without having the required level of match fitness. He will be a valuable asset indeed.

Every threat to the J.U.S.T. defence came from Lea who was extremely unlucky not to score at least three times: first in the 28th minute when he hit a stray ball from just outside the goal area only to see goalkeeper Dennis Boland, who had just planned down a high cross, fling himself into the way of Lea's shot; then in the 44th minute when Lea's back-header from a corner was knocked over the bar by Boland, and again in the 56th minute when Lea's third attempt was cleared off the line by Belic.



Man-of-the-match Vlatko Belic (rear) challenges Heidelberg's Mike Valentine. Pictures by LES SHORROCK

Macleod and Greechan off

Footscray J.U.S.T.'s big striker Gus Macleod wants a transfer only five months after joining from Ajax. Macleod has been on the bench for the past two games. His transfer fee is \$3000. Meanwhile, Macleod's former team mate Kit Greechan has asked Ajax for a transfer.



Joe Angele

Lea's performance was all the more noteworthy because he was virtually a one-man attack, making his own chances.

Joe Angele, promoted from the reserves to replace Robert Vincent, had a shot deflected onto the crossbar in the 10th minute, and Don Macleod looked in for a goal as he got onto the end of a ball at the far post after a cross had cleared the heads of all defenders and forwards. But Belic threw himself in and forced the ball over for a corner.

Then Belic stormed through the midfield and set up Lujic with a through ball. He turned and played another through ball for Purdie who, however, miskicked from the left.

Theo Selemidis broke through the midfield for Heidelberg and belted another shot against the crossbar.

A strong wind blew from goal to goal, spoiling the game as a spectacle, and aiding Heidelberg in the first half.

But even against the wind, Belic launched another attack via Lujic, to Carroll, and back to Lujic inside the box, but goalkeeper Jeff Oliver came at Lujic quickly to smother the shot.

Lea had another chance in the 70th minute, on a pass from substitute Toro, but this time miskicked, and at the other end, it was a timely tackle by John Spanos that prevented a goal from Belic.

who was about to shoot after running to the edge of the area on a pass from Kyri Kyriakoulas.

Even after the disallowed penalty, J.U.S.T. had another chance to score with a shot by substitute Gus Macleod who was given the ball by Lujic. Macleod's shot hit the crossbar, but referee Zoumas ruled the move was offside anyway.

It was a much, much better performance from J.U.S.T. This type of commitment and concentration should lift the club quickly up the table, especially after Gary McDowell arrived from Hamilton Academicals to further strengthen the team.

Heidelberg did not show the same fight as J.U.S.T. in mid-field, yet still had chances to win the game. With a defence that ranks among the best in the league, Heidelberg has no problems that coach Ken Morton cannot solve, but the team still needs a goalscorer forward.

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PETER RANKIN TURNS THE TIDE

Goals: West — Atsals 63rd; City — Villani 67th, Mektia 87th.
 Crowd: 3000
 Ground: Hindmarsh Stadium.
 Referee: Don Campbell 9
 Weather: Heavy rain.

ADELAIDE CITY: McNally 8 — Cole 6, Nyskohus 7, Banfield 8, Dods 6 — Blair 7, Mektia 7, Carter 7 — Villani 8, Maxwell 6 (Rankin 58th), Mullen 6.

WEST ADELAIDE: Sproul 7 — McGregor 8 (Halevax 72nd), Dunn 7, Arney 8, Hiern 7 — Brannan 7, Manou 7, Atsals 8 — Honeyman 8, Wormley 6, Heys 8.

West Adelaide must still be wondering how it let three points dissolve so quickly after looking so convincing early in the second half.

Steve Atsals, who scored the winner in the corresponding fixture last season, beat Willie McNally with a powerful drive inside the area after Graham Heys had crossed.

But its lead evaporated four minutes later when City, on one of its rare breaks, split the



Meno Toutsidis

on the spot to make full use of Peter Rankin's square pass.

It was substitute Rankin who helped turn the game in the 87th minute when he linked with Sergio Mektia who gratefully accepted his opportunity from close in.

So City took the points despite living so dangerously in the backlines.

Midfielder Les Carter and McNally must take most of the credit.

McNally made some fine saves when goals looked likely while Carter cleared off the line not once, but on three occasions.

It must be noted, however, that City lifted considerably after Villani's equaliser.

Rankin could yet lift City to great heights this season but I rather suspect that both City and West will have to be satisfied with mid-table positions.



Action from the local derby last Sunday between West Adelaide and Adelaide City, which ended in a 2-1 win to City. Here City custodian Willie McNally (left) punches clear from a corner kick, watched by team mates Les Carter and Niel Banfield and West Adelaide's Chris Mannu (right). Picture by FRANK HOBBS.

Hakoah fights for life

© Sam Fisman

Petitions demanding democratisation of the Hakoah Club are circulating in Sydney and a group of club members have taken legal advice as the struggle to save the National League champions from disbandment continues.

The petition seeks to call an extraordinary general meeting of the club, with a view to reforming the articles of association.

Currently no less than nine of the 11 directors of the huge licenced operation are in a permanent possession of their seats on the board, solely on the strength of having purchased \$5,000 in debentures, some of them as long ago as 13 years.

Amendments to the articles of association, circulated in the petition, would upon adoption force all directors to retire and seek election at the regular general meetings of the Hakoah Club.

In the legal moves, club members are gearing up for the possibility of seeking injunctions in the Supreme Court of N.S.W. If the new soccer chairman Sam Fisman attempts to sell off the outstanding

By PETER SCOTT

players of the club prior to any resolution of the dispute now splitting the Hakoah membership.

I am reliably informed that NSL manager Steve Kamasz has been contacted by a member of the soccer supporters' group, seeking his assistance in warning off other clubs thinking of plundering the Hakoah playing staff.

One of Sydney's most prominent law firms has provided legal advice on gaining a temporary injunction if the board of directors attempts to start a sell-off of players, and the advice received has serious implications not only for the Hakoah board, but also for any club seeking to grab players of the club.

Although Fisman denied that he took over as soccer chairman of the club simply to act as the teams' liquidator (see page 3) the very next day he announced that "any player wishing to leave won't be stopped from doing so".

The statement was issued although not a single member of the Hakoah squad expressed a desire to break his contract with the club.

Further fuel was added to the fire consuming the famous club by the fact that several directors, who support Hakoah's soccer activities, were allegedly not invited to the meeting which decided to depose the soccer committee and replace it with Fisman.

It is believed that the snubbed directors included former vice president and Soccerco manager Andrew Lederer and Tibor Glass.

It is anticipated that a number of these directors will attend a meeting of Hakoah members tonight (Wednesday), which has the formation of an action committee and the launching of moves for the convening of the extraordinary general meeting on its agenda.

Rumors are circulating that the board of directors is working on the elimination from the articles of association of all mentions about the Hakoah club's obligation towards soccer.

This is in spite of the fact that liquor and poker machine licenses were originally granted by the NSW government on the understanding that the club's prime purpose was to foster soccer.

Previous requirements on membership applications, demanding the specification of applicants' involvement with the sport, were unilaterally removed by the board some time ago.

The action committee plans to call a general meeting of club members within the next few weeks.

Under the extraordinarily restrictive provisions of the Hakoah club's governing regulations, almost 400 signatures are required for the calling of an extraordinary general meeting.

However, organisers are confident of easily reaching this target.

More than 600 signatures were collected in just over a day for the petition which prevented Hakoah's board if directors from implementing its decision, made without any consultation with the members, to abandon its NSL obligation late last year.

So Wednesday is D day for Hakoah. This may be the soccer bombshell of the year.

The team that just won't die

Syd. City 2
APIA 0

At Sydney Athletic Field.

Crowd 1350.

Referee Doug Rennie 3.

Scorers Gomez 63rd minute,

Mitchell 91st minute.

Cautions: Kosmina, O'Connor,

Clark (SC), Bertogna,

Pullen (APIA).

SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH:

Clark 7, Cant 6, Robertson 7,

O'Connor 7, Bruce 6, Souness

5, Gomez 7, Kay 6, Watson 5,

Kosmina 7, Mitchell 7.

APIA LEICHHARDT:

Woodhouse 6, Carter 5, Ber-

togna 7, Pullen 7, Gray 6,

Butler 7, Schermann 6, Brad-

ley 6, Tredinnick 7, Morsello 7,

Valeri 4 (67th minute, Giamp-

palo 5).

General manager of

Hakoah Soccer Club's

major sponsor, Presto

Smallgoods, Paul Lederer,

summed up the situation

within the club when he re-

marked that "This team just

refuses to lie down and die".

The team, of course, is per-

ennial National League

champion Hakoah, whose

board of directors is busy

trying to demolish 44 years of

soccer tradition, in the face of

the outraged objections of

many of its members.

But, there simply seems to

be too much talent in the side.

In the vital fixture against

APIA, there was also a good

dose of sheer determination.

At the end of the match, the

victorious Hakoah side was

clapped off the field by its

supporters, including members

of the former soccer committee,

which was tossed out by club

president Frank Lowy a few

days earlier.

By contrast, new soccer

Peter Scott

chairman Sam Fisman paused in the locker room only for a few moments and a handshake with Gerardo Gomez.

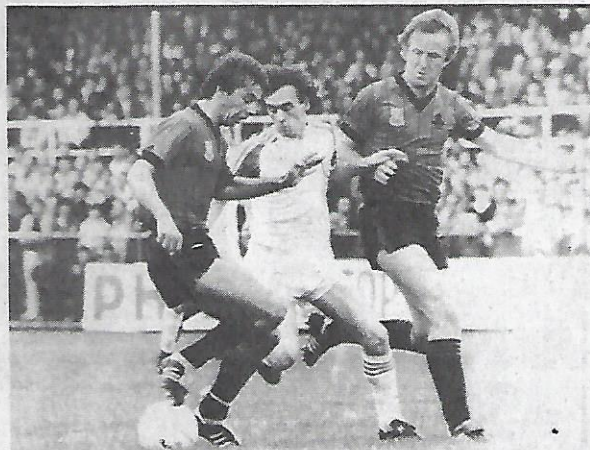
As for the on-field activity, APIA had much better of the proceedings in the first half, with Morsello in the 19th and Schermann in the 27th minute looking likely scorers, but failing to convert.

At the other end John Kosmina was kept under lock and key by a very effective Mark Pullen most of the time.

Hakoah took control of the match after the change, but APIA still could have taken the lead in the 57th minute, when a good shot by Terry Butler found the target through a forest of legs, only to be booted off the line by Jim Cant.

But the Italians' fate was sealed in the 63rd minute, when Gerardo Gomez celebrated his inclusion in the Soccerco training squad with a colossal volley from 18 metres which slammed into the left corner with the velocity of a ballistic missile.

The final nail in APIA's coffin was just reward for the hard-working David Mitchell, on the comeback trail after injury, when in the 91st minute he found a hole in the APIA defence to elegantly slot home Hakoah's second goal.



● Makedonia's Con Opasinas (left) and David Jones close down Charlie Egan of Hellas. Picture by LES SHORROCK.

Kick it out, throw it in, kick it out...

SM-Hellas 0
Makedonia 0

Venue: Middle Park.

Crowd: about 7500.

Referee: Dennis Voutsinas

8. Cautions: McMillan, Blair,

Jones, Ozakov

SOUTH MELBOURNE HEL-

LAS: Laumets 6 — Russell 7

(Bozovski 6, half time), Xan-

thopoulos 7, Blair 8, Yen-

doorn 7 — Halford 7, Crino 6,

Murphy 5 — Brown 5, Egan 7,

Woodin 6.

PRESTON MAKEDONIA:

Wilson 7 — Orlerton 6, Jones

8, Opasinas 5, McMillan 7

Flavell 8, Iloski 5, Ozakov 6,

Campbell 5 — Lucchesi 5,

Ward 5.



Laurie Schwab

Both teams perfected a new system of wing play in this game. The idea is to kick the ball out of play as often as possible, and work your way down the line with throw-ins.

The strong wind didn't help, but I'm sure, had they tried, the players could have saved

the game from deteriorating into one of the most abysmal second halves I've ever seen.

For Hellas at least, it ended the club's four-match run of defeats, but its performance was far from satisfying.

Makedonia's attitude was that, playing away from home against a side which should have been desperate, it was good enough simply to insure against losing.

Gordon Flavell marked Ken Murphy out of the game, George McMillan did likewise to Doug Brown, Zoran Iloski shadowed Oscar Crino and Con Opasinas marked Charlie Egan.

Makedonia wanted to score in the first half. Having failed to do so, it was content to sit back for the rest of the game, defend and get forward in a few breaks.

Hellas relied heavily on the long ball to Egan, hoping that Egan's speed would break the Makedonia defence. He battled away gamely, but without support, he was unable to get clear of Opasinas.

Perhaps Hellas should think about moving Brown into the middle, to combine with Egan as a two-man strike force on the type of long balls played last Sunday.

Vlado Bozovski, from Hellas's State League side, made his NSL debut as a half-time substitute for Bobby Russell who had a stomach ailment. In the first half, Russell prevented what might have been a goal, when he cleared a close-range header from Claude Lucchesi in the goal mouth.

But it was Wishart's mistake that ended any hopes City had of coming back in the second half. Lions got a free-kick just outside the box and Russell Stewart hit a wayward shot with his right foot. The ball hit Liddell on the back and fell again or Stewart who put a low left foot shot into the far corner. Wishart dived and appeared to have it covered but the ball, possibly slippery from the wet conditions, slipped through his hands into the net.

That sunk City and Lions came forward at every opportunity. McDonagh combined with Kelsio to set up Hogg who drove the ball into the net from 25m.

Lions' other goal came when Wishart was chipped by John Stewart — another example of poor positioning — and Perry was forced to handball on the line to prevent a goal. Niven took the penalty.

Kistemaker's plot pays off

Coaches have water fight



Ricky Rosso

Brisb. Lions 4
Brisb. City

Scorers: Hunter 25th, R.

Stewart 52nd, Hogg 67th,

Niven, pen, 74th.

Venue: Richlands.

Cautions: Kelsio (TSC), Wil-

liamson (TSC).

Referee: Bill Montevardo 7.

LIONS: Scanlan 8, McClurg

7, Hunter 9, Marszalek 7,

Niven 8 — McDonagh 7,

Hogg 8, J. Stewart 8, Ogden

7, Wright 7, R. Stewart half-

time 71, Kelsio 9.

CITY: Wishart 5, Perry 7,

Tokasi 7, Liddell 8, Wilkinson

6, Hughes 6, Pimblett 6, Ham-

ilton 5, Williamson 6, Cairney

6, Brownfield 6 (Falso 64th).

Soccerco squad member

Kim Wishart could well find

himself in the Australian

team but out of his club side

following Brisbane City's

collapse in this game.

City coach Jim Hermiston

has been hinting for more than

a week that reserve keeper

Glen Ahearn, the former Aus-

tralian youth team and Sydney

Brisbane Lions officials this week will decide whether to take any action over an incident in which Brisbane City coach Jim Hermiston allegedly threw a bucket of water over Lions' coach Simon Kistemaker after last Sunday's local derby.

The incident reportedly happened as the two coaches left the Richmond field after Lions' convincing victory. It is understood Kistemaker made a remark to Hermiston (pictured) and the former PSL Player of the



Simon Kistemaker

Year and policeman retaliated by throwing the contents of a bucket he was carrying over the Dutchman.

Kistemaker was enraged and several players had to hold him back.

— RICKY ROSSO

Wishart's reflex saves are as good as anyone in Australia, and it was that which impressed caretaker national coach Frank Arok when he watched Wishart in goals for Queensland against New South Wales.

But the big man's positioning and basic skills have let him down more than once this season. Against Lions last weekend he let in a simple shot from Russell Stewart that let Lions go two goals ahead.

The goal in effect ended any hopes City had of a comeback. But the former NSL table leaders didn't even deserve a point on their pathetic showing.

With the exception of Frank Liddell, who even assumed attacking duties at one stage, many of the City players spent most of the game on the bench.

But take no credit away from the gutsy young Lions

and their coach Simon Kistemaker. The Dutchman had put a lot of work and thought into the match he so desperately wanted to win after being humiliated by City in two early season matches.

Kistemaker had been under a lot of pressure in the week leading up to the match to rest his two young Soccerco players, Danny Wright and Russell Stewart. But he knew without the youngsters he was doomed, so he struck upon a plan to play each of them for one half only.

Seeing Russell Stewart on the bench must have made Hermiston's eyes light but that wasn't to last when Kistemaker's plan of playing Stewart's brother John on City midfield dynamo Frank Pimblett began to take effect.

John Stewart was able to

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By ANDREW DETTRE

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- one former player and
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In the areas of entertainment and commitment, votes will be cast by the panel.

The top vote is six, going down to 4, then 2, and finally minus-4 if it's a real bore.

In the area of fairness, 2 votes are cast if no yellow cards are shown during the game. Every yellow card shown represents a minus-2 vote, and every red card a minus-five vote.

The rest of the voting works as follows:

RESULT: 5 votes for a home win, 3 for a draw, minus-2 for a defeat.

NUMBER OF GOALS: 3 votes for every home goal, 1 vote for every goal against, minus-1 for a scoreless draw and minus-2 if the home team loses and does not score.

The votes then are counted and if they don't total 60, money will be refunded.

St. George will offer its money-back guarantee at each of its remaining home matches.



• The Soccer Saints 1983, from left: Back row: Frank Lang — (assist. coach), Paul Wilkinson, Ken Wilson, Michael O'Shea, David Ratcliffe, Robbie O'Shea, Terry Greedy, Frank Arok (manager/coach). Front row: Robbie Slater, Dez Marton, Andrew Koczka, John O'Shea, Peter Stone (captain), David Skene, Mark Barton, Charles Jurisic (physio) Major Sponsor: Foresight Marketing Pty. Ltd.; Peerless Industries.

PELE AND CHARLTON AMONG VISITORS

In Australia's far from splendid isolation, soccer celebrities are not the same dime-a-dozen as in European capitals.

Yet, the St. George club at Mortdale can claim to have had more than its fair share of famous visitors.

Bobby Charlton was there on a private visit to Sydney and so was Pele when he played here with Santos: Sir Stanley Rous was a special guest a few years ago as was the entire Ferencvaros team led by Florian Albert and, early 1982, the Hungarian national side was added to the list.

In between other famous Hungarian sportsmen also visited the Saints' comfortable Soccer House: Olympic champion fencers Tibor Pezsa and Gyozo Kulcsar and Olympic and world champion pentathlete Andras Balcz.

Today the clubhouse offers all the modern facilities you can imagine: it's used for meetings, conferences, balls, physical culture — or just a social meeting place.

Soccer House is unique: its manager is a woman, Jean Patterson — who just about lives in the club and for the club.

Some 1,000 people can be seated throughout the auditorium and various halls at the one time and its restaurant has a fine Continental cuisine.

Socceroos galore

St. George so far has had 22 full internationalists in the Australian team.

The list: John Warren, Dave Todd, Attila Abonyi, Manfred Schaefer, Adrian Alston, Mike Denton, Jack Reilly, George Harris, Alan Ainslie, Ernie Campbell, Bobby Hogg, Doug Utjesenovic, John McDonald, Jim Fraser, Harry Williams, Rudolfo Gnani, Mark Jankovics, Peter Stone, John Davies, Phil O'Connor, John O'Shea and David Ratcliffe.

Some were with the Saints before or after their Australian appearances, not during their stay with the club.

Three are in the squad now for the matches against England: David Ratcliffe, Mike O'Shea and Terry Greedy.

St. George and the St. George-Sudapest Club are synonymous with Australian soccer. They have been since the early 1960s when they began their surge to the top and, in company with Hakoah, APIA and the now defunct Prague, formed one of the Big Four in Sydney soccer.

The beginnings were humble: the club was formed as Budapest at the end of 1956 as the logical if not legal successor to the Hungarian-based Europa Club (originally Ferencvaros) that came into being in the Bathurst Migrant Holding Centre early 1950.

Like most other migrant clubs, Budapest struggled and survived. Only the support of a few hundred enthusiasts and the occasional donations from well-heeled members kept their heads above water plus the immense energy of a small team of officials headed by Les Bordaacs.

Then, in the early 1960s, Bordaacs managed to lure a new man into the fold — and the club's pedestrian progress speeded up. For Alex Pongrass was no ordinary supporter.

Blessed with a searching, restless mind of the most practical nature, Pongrass soon convinced the club that without a solid financial basis, it was doomed to keep passing the hat around at matches and selling chook raffles until eternity.

The idea of a social club was born — and Alex Pongrass built, cajoled, argued, hustled and haggled his club towards eventual ownership. In 1967 the club gained its licence, purchased a former Police-Citizens Boys' Club, extended and renovated it, and has gained that financial basis which Alex Pongrass had designated as its lifeblood.

That having been accomplished, Pongrass decided that no club could ever hope to prosper without a home ground. And the stadium project was born. Once again — as with the clubhouse — a million arguments were advanced about why this couldn't be done. Just think of the money, people sighed.

Alex Pongrass assigned the task to his trusted lieutenant Steve Koenig in 1974; work began in 1976 — and by 1977 the St. George Stadium, with a capacity of 15,000, opened. Another of those "can't-be-done" achievements of Pongrass . . .

In between, of course, the teams were playing, winning and losing — and gradually establishing the club as a major force in soccer. The first triumph was the Ampol Cup win in 1960, under the coaching of Laurie Heyges; the first NSW championship in 1962, with Joe Vlasits at the helm.

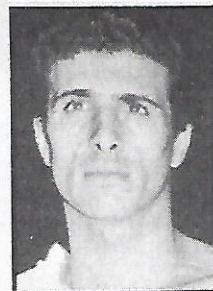
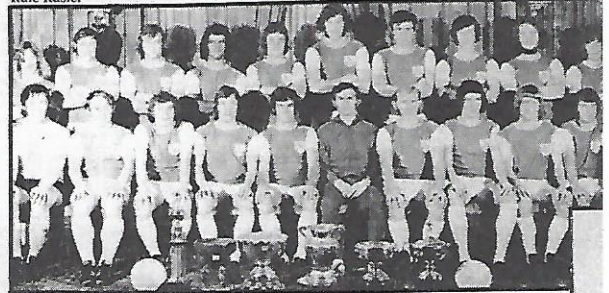
All told, the Saints — first as Budapest, then as Budapest-South Sydney and finally as St. George BSC — won the NSW championship three times (1962, 1972 and 1976), came second or third in 10 seasons between 1959 and 1975, won the Grand Final five times, the Ampol Cup four times and, as their latest triumph, the PSL Grand Final last year.

Their "dream years" began when Frank Arok from Yugoslavia first arrived on the scene in 1980: he was to come back in 1972 and again, for the third time, at the end of 1980 after the Saints suffered their first and only major setback — relegation from the PSL. Within a year Arok took them back into the League, finishing second and topping it off with a Grand Final win . . .

Of all their great teams, most fans recall with nostalgia the 1971 side, the one which toured Japan and Hong Kong undefeated. An incredible 10 players of that team

were Australian internationals: Reilly, Harris, Schaefer, Utjesenovic, Hogg, Ainslie, Abonyi, Denton, Williams and Alston with John Warren out of action for a whole year through injury. No wonder that many claimed St. George was stronger than the national team — and not just because the coach that year was also the Soccerroo Supremo, Rale Rasic.

• THE MOST SUCCESSFUL FIRST TEAM SQUAD THE CLUB'S HISTORY, 1972 winners of the Ampol Inter City Ampol Cup; Premiership Ampol Cup and Premiership Goal Scoring Champions. Back Row (left to right): Marty Treasure, John Stoddart, Jimmy Herron, Harris, Willie Hamilton, Neville Morgan, Fabian Juhász, Harris, Brendan Grosse, Alan Ainslie. Front: Denis De Mike Denton, Attila Abonyi, Bobby Hogg, Johnny V Frank Arok (manager-coach), Manfred Schaefer, Adrian George Harris, Doug Utjesenovic, Jimmy Fraser.



Saints' first South American import, Eduardo Massey (1962)



Johnny Warren — former St. George star and coach, always a crowd favorite

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Ratcliffe, Marton the kingpins

"We're just an ordinary team, with no stars," Frank Arok said often enough to be believed, at the start of the current campaign. And almost everybody believed him — except perhaps rival coaches, who wouldn't be lulled into complacency about the Saints.

The fact is — the Saints are likely to be one of the serious title contenders again this year, as they were in 1982. If they have a structural weakness, it's their lack of depth: St. George has only 13 players under contract, a very small figure when compared with some other clubs whose complement exceeds 20.

But what they have is first class: a highly disciplined, well motivated and fit squad, tactically mature, technically well above average — attributes that could take them close to the very top.

The Saints are lucky to have two top goalies in Terry Greedy and Mike Fraser. Greedy had to wait almost a whole year in 1982 to get his chance — and now he resists all attempts to be displaced by Fraser, himself often regarded as one of the best in Australia.

The undisputed kingpin of the defence is David Ratcliffe at sweeper, a 1982 signing from Brisbane City and one of the most competitive and reliable defenders in Australia. Next to him is stopper Mike O'Shea — the youngest of the trio of brothers — improved so enormously in one season that both are now in the Australian squad.

David Skeen, at right fullback, is one of the crowd favorites: a short, stocky, stunningly durable and hard-fighting little beaver who appears to have extra lungs to compensate for his short legs. On the other flank Robert O'Shea has developed into a forceful and speedy overlapping fullback.

The busy midfield is orchestrated by the team's captain, Peter Stone — at 29 one of the team's few veterans. Alongside him John O'Shea — the eldest of the brothers — and Mark Barton form an efficient "ball-trap" where most of the opposition attacks break down.

Up front Dez Marton, now "about" 34, is still regarded as one of the deadliest strikers in Australia. Although his work-rate is gradually slipping, his opportunism and shooting power still make him a feared opponent.

Robbie Salter, usually on the right wing, is one of the fresh young Australian talents — and Arok predicts a huge future for this 19-year-old, signed for \$100 from Auburn in 1982.

The third member of the attack is either the tall Paul Wilkinson or the awkward but effective John Muscovits. Wilkinson has still not fulfilled all the hopes attached to his signing (with Ratcliffe from Brisbane City) and is perhaps the unluckiest striker with his shots in the whole NSL.

Young Andrew Koczka occasionally gets a run in the team, in midfield — but he really belongs to the brigade of the Arok-hopefuls being carefully groomed for the future.



Dez Marton

David Ratcliffe

David Skeen

Another ideas man joins Frank Arok

You often hear the claim that Frank Arok is the best coach in Australia. This is like referring to the versatile brilliance of Leonardo da Vinci in terms of a "talented painter."

Arok is a good coach; an excellent one. But he is a great deal more than that. In fact, I am convinced he is the most lucid, creative and constructive soccer thinker in this land. Thinker? Well, no; Arok is also a creator, innovator and inventor. This is what puts him into a special category — quite possibly a category with a membership of one.

No matter how long you've been following soccer, how deep and intimate your involvement with the game, how highly you — or others — rate your expertise in any given field, half an hour with Frank Arok will give you new perspectives.

He is simply bristling with ideas: on organisation, administration, management, soccer training, tactics or the future of the game.

At present, he's working on plans to secure his club's future in what he describes as "hard times."

"I'm grooming some half a dozen or so exceptionally talented youngsters to be ready in January 1984," he says. Why the specific date?

"We may have to field a new team next season. All our players will have to accept new financial conditions — or leave. There won't be any signing-on fees and guarantees; the boom days are over."

"I'm sure most will understand this — but some may not. Clubs can't go broke because of excessive payments to players. If there's no club, there's no need for players."

Arok cut his 1982 budget of \$460,000 to just under \$300,00 this season; half of that goes to the players. He claims that roughly half of ANY club's budget, regardless of size, always goes to players.

"From next year we will spend on the team only what we, as a soccer team, can earn — not a cent from the social club which needs its revenue to tick itself into shape."

To this end, the Saints are importing from England not a player, not an administrator — but a salesman. The man has spent 15 years with a first division

club there generating promotional, advertising and sponsorship funds — and has an impeccable record. He will arrive in August and, knowing Arok's methods, starts work next morning, around eight.

He is apt to go into raptures over some of the "kids" now being groomed for future seasons: Peter Pethovski, Chris Polias, Andrew Koczka, Pedro Ricoy and Paul Darrington are rattled off quickly. All are under 17, all talented — only their personal determination and ambition will determine who will reach the top and who will be a forgotten talent. Reluctantly, though with his usual candor, he singles out Uruguayan-born Pedro Ricoy as "something extra special" who could become the brainiest and greatest midfielder this country has seen.

Arok, unlike many others, has few fears about the future of the National League.

"There are some signs that things will change and improve," he says. "Soccer at that level must be conducted as a business, without sentiment. If the administration and the clubs can adopt a more virile, business-like attitude, we will survive. Otherwise we don't deserve to."

Publicity, promotion, propaganda, public relations — call it what you like — is the biggest weakness of the ASF-NSL duo, says Arok.

"I estimate that no more than two per cent of the ASF-NSL's budget is spent on these. In the entertainment business — where we are supposed to be — the average budget allocation for publicity is 18 per cent. Top rock groups often spend up to half their revenue on it. And here we are trying to make do with two per cent. This year the NSL can't spend a cent on any promotion or even match advertising. It's in this area that a new drive is needed and rather urgently."

"Without that, the NSL will struggle whether they subsidize it or not. A product nowadays cannot be sold without advertising, no matter how high the quality is. Pierre Cedric knows that, the Waldorf Astoria knows that, Qantas knows that; only soccer doesn't want to know it."

"We think it's our birthright to get the whole Media behind us, because soccer is such a great sport. Sure it is. But how will the masses ever find out about it?"

Without these three there'd be no Saints

Great clubs are often associated with a few outstanding people. You think of Real Madrid and the names of Bernabeu and Saprata spring to mind; mention Juventus of Turin and you think of the Agnelli family of Fiat fame; Manchester United cannot be even uttered without bowing your head to Busby.

St George has three such men — in chronological order: Les Boddice, Alex Pongrass and Frank Arok. Without these three — or perhaps any one of the three — there would be no St George today.

Of course, it would be utterly unfair to ignore the contributions of many others who, in one capacity or another, have worked and brought sacrifices for their club.



Alex Pongrass

Even among this multitude a few must be singled out partly because of their length of service with the club: Steven Koenig, Kevin Fisher, John Heddon, Emory Nagy, Zoltan Gyenes, Nandor Varnay, Steve Rava, Charlie Luckel, Matthew Goffar, Tony Balazs, George Kovacs, George Moncar, John Jager, Gyula Kalor, Frank Zschmann, Ambrus Fazekas, Simon Anthony, Les Banyai, Steve Curtis, Les Turani — and many others.

Most of these still serve on one of the committees or are actively involved in the running of the social club.

The clubhouse manager is Jean Patterson and public relations is handled by Faye Noyes.



Les Boddice

Galambos, Schauman, Abonyi, Fernandez, Clemence, Banicevic

At last count, players of 17 different countries have appeared for St George since its entry into the NSW first division in 1959.

That much for being a "Hungarian club." Of course, at the start the majority of players were young Hungarian refugees from revolution-torn Budapest. Three of those were particularly close to the hearts of the fans: the dashing Joe Galambos (he died a few years ago), the elegant Frank Lang (now Frank Arok's assistant coach) and the irrepressible, brilliantly talented Les Schauman.

Others joined them a bit later: Thor Zuckerman, Erno Grosz, Joe Csardas, Jeno Bosanszky, Joe Pompor, Balint Jonas, Miklos Jobbagy, Joe Vasvary and, in 1970, the inimitable Attila Abonyi.

The Saints were the first Australian club to import South American players, something that became quite a fashion later on. In 1962 they brought out two Argentines, Eduardo Massey, and Miguel Mazzina. A year later they were followed by fellow Argentinians Hugo Rodriguez, Victor Fernandez, Lorenzo Heredia and Salvador Isaac who, to this day, cherishes his club shirt and other memorabilia in his Buenos Aires house.

Some big-name British stars also wore the St George colors: former Tottenham ace Alf Stokes, ex-Celtic and Scotland goalie Frank Haffey, then David Cliss and Rogery Hillary from the "Chelsea Chicks" brigade, the goal-strong George Yardley and the versatile Bobby Hogg, not to mention guest stars Francis Lee, Charlie George, Ray Clemence and Ralph Coates.

Yugoslavia has been another rich source of playing talent for the Saints: first Peter Banicevic and Mladen Krgin, then Doug Utjesenovic (via Melbourne), Les Lorincz and now the veteran striker Dez Marton.

Just for the record, the list of nationalities that have provided players to St George's first teams: Australia, Hungary, England, Scotland, Ireland, Yugoslavia, Argentina, Paraguay, Holland, Portugal, Spain, Germany, Austria, Greece, Russia, Italy and Egypt.



'Immortals' — Manfred Schaefer (right) of St. George, and John Watkiss of APIA.

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Duncan Cummings returns

Duncan Cummings has resolved his differences with South Melbourne Hellas and will make his return to State League on Saturday against Mike Lynn's Polonia at Middle Park.

Another Hellas dissident, Tony Owen, trained with the club two weeks ago and coach Jim Armstrong is confident that Owen soon will be back in action. If so, it will be a great boost for Armstrong and his young charges. Although young, Owen is a superb one touch player. His midfield ability added to Cummings' return up front, could be just the tonic needed to lift the struggling Hellas from the foot of the State League ladder.

The biggest problem facing Hellas on Saturday (no pun intended) is Polonia striker Alex Marshall. This gentle giant can turn a game in an instant. His ability to cruise past two or three defenders when least expected is the strength of Polonia's attack. Marshall can be out of the game for long periods. Suddenly, he'll set sail for goal and in a flash he's broken through. He's unpredictable, enigmatic, and so often a match winner. Stop Marshall and Hellas will go a long way toward winning a point here.

Albion Rovers, Ringwood Wilhelmina, Sunshine-George Cross and Hellas already seem almost certain to fight out the relegation battle. Of this quartet, the combine seems best off in terms of playing quality and depth and I expect it to start picking up points consistently.

Sunshine-George Cross can win its second league game of the season when it takes on Nick van Egmond's struggling Ringwood Wilhelmina at Chaplin Reserve on Sunday.

Combine striker Mick McGorran's favorite pastime seems to be collecting yellow cards. His presence alongside

Carl Gilder up front is vital to the combine's striking capability and it will be this paid which will carry the hopes of the fanatic Maltese supporters thirsting for a win.

Who would have thought at the start of the year that a game between Juventus and Northcote would be one of the clashes of the round in State League? Not this writer, I assure you.

Nevertheless, Juventus, defending its top of the table status, faces a tough struggle on Sunday at Olympic Park against Northcote, which rightfully lays claim to being the most improved side in the league. Most Northcote officials and supporters scowl when reminded about the 1982 season. Talk about the new players brought to the club this year by new coach Tony Vrzina and the recent good results against competent State League opponents and furrowed brows disappear.

Northcote though, must not become complacent. It still has a way to go before establishing itself as a State League force but it's getting there, which can only be a great thing for Victorian soccer when you consider the crowd pulling potential of this Greek sponsored outfit. I still expect Juventus to beat Northcote but there should be little in it.

If Morwell Falcons can't beat Box Hill, and I don't think they can, I expect big changes at the once progressive Latrobe Valley club. The Hillmen are well drilled and spirited, qualities which Falcons lack. I'll stick my neck out and tip a Box Hill victory. The Wembley Park outfit will be without youngsters Dave Azzopardi and Alan Roodhouse, both off



Victorian State League with CRAIG MACKENZIE

to the national titles with the Victorian youth team. However, Scottish striker Alan McKenna, winger Brian Keenan and rugged full back Kyle Patterson all should be available for senior selection.

Championship contenders, Green Gully Ajax and Melbourne Croatia, could stumble on Sunday and may have to be content with splitting the points in their away games against Croydon and Fawkner respectively.

Croydon impressed me last weekend against Croatia and with Joe Sweeney providing and excellent target for the distribution and vision of Paul Wade and Jim Rooney in midfield, the well drilled Ajax back four will find itself pressured for long periods of this clash. I don't think that the

narrow confines of Croydon Park will suit the visitors, nevertheless, Ajax has too much class for me to tip it to go under.

Croatia faces a danger game against Fawkner at Smith Reserve. This game undoubtedly will provide the biggest crowd of the round and both outfits should respond to what should be a charged atmosphere. I'm looking forward to an end-to-end exciting tussle here. Fawkner coach Cedo Cirikov used markers for Polonia's Alex Marshall and Janusz Przybyla last week so he'll use a similar play against Tommy Cumming and either Ossie Latif or Dave Brogan. Then again, Croatia coach John Gardiner may decide to use tall Richie McClunie to partner Cumming up front. McClunie, signed this year from Morwell Falcons, has scored 10 goals in the past three reserve games and is

staking a strong claim for senior selection.

Albion Rovers are going to struggle all season long. There's nothing surer, and the best Hugh Murney's lads can hope for against Doveton at Selwyn Park on Saturday, is a draw. Frank Macleod has been a key figure at the back for Albion. His absence, due to suspension, is a stiff blow to Rovers' chances here.

This weekend's games with likely winners in capitals:

SATURDAY

Albion Rovers V DOVETON at Selwyn Park, 2.45 p.m.

S.M. Hellas V Polonia (draw) at Middle Park, 2.45 p.m.

Morwell Falcons V BOX HILL at North Crinigan Reserve, 2.45 p.m.

SUNDAY

Juventus V Northcote at Olympic Park No. 2, 2 p.m.

SUNSHINE-GEORGE CROSS V Ringwood Wilhelmina at Chaplin Reserve, 3 p.m.

Croydon V Green Gully Ajax (draw), at Croydon Park, 3 p.m.

Fawkner V Melbourne Croatia (draw) at Smith Reserve, 3 p.m.

TSETSOS SUPERB!

NORTHCOTE 3 (Tsetsos 50th, 89th, Sahinidis 77th)

MORWELL FALCONS 1 (Evans 70th) at John Cain Reserve, Sunday.

NORTHCOTE: Giannopoulos 7 Wilson 7, Cressy 7, Bozich 7, Gorman 8 - Quigley 7, Moore 8, Wright 7 - Sahinidis 7, Tsetsos 9, Culina 8. Coach: Tony Vrzina.

MORWELL FALCONS: White-side 6 - Derby 4, Irvine 5, Higham 5, Train 7 - Birmingham 6, MacLennan 7, O'Callaghan 6 - T. van der 5 (Young 6th), Evans 5, McGuinness 4. Coach: Tony Bogg.

Northcote deservedly won this

match with a fine display of skillful soccer, highlighted by the efforts of midfielders Colin Quigley and Steve Moore, and the off-the-ball running of striker Spiro Tsetsos, who continually created space for himself and troubled Falcons all day.

Sadly, for a club with great ambitions, Morwell is not a patch on last year's side which finished in the top four and got to the final of the State League Cup. Gone is the flair and enthusiasm which characterised the 1982 Falcons.

The lack of spirit in the present outfit is painfully apparent. Symptomatic of the current unrest is the recent transfer request from former Croatia and Ajax back Grant Smart. Other transfer requests have been rejected by the Morwell committee. Still others are being contemplated by certain players who are deeply unhappy.

They broke the deadlock in the 50th minute. A superb cross from Jim Sahinidis

found Tsetsos whose brilliant dummy sent Culina clear. The former Melbourne Croatia and Blacktown striker had his shot deflected by Whiteside to Sahinidis who made no mistake from close range.

Northcote emphasised its dominance in the 89th minute. Left Gorman's cross from the left eluded everyone and fell to Culina whose chip back across goal was met by Tsetsos and headed firmly into the top right hand corner to make it 3-1.

— MICK O'BRIEN

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Ajax V S.G. Cross: 3 Vassallo (A); 2 Short (A); 1 Smallman (A).

Northcote V Morwell: 3 Tsetsos (N); 2 Quigley (N); 1 Moore (N).

Box Hill V Albion: 3 Hughes (BH); 2 Roodhouse (BH); 1 McDonald (BH).

Doveton V S.M. Hellas: 3 Webster (D); 2 Kalifatidis (SMH); 1 Keogh (D).

Polonia V Fawkner: 3 Liparski (P); 2 Palinkas (P); 1 Marshall (P).

Croatia V Croydon: 3 McCombe (Croy); 2 Parton (C); 1 Wade (Croy).

Wilhelmina V Juventus: 3 G. Banch (J); 2 Drinocky (J); 1 Hird (J).

Progressive votes:

13 - Moore (Northcote), 12 - Tuffield (Fawkner), 11 - Kalifatidis (Hellas), 9 - Macleod (Albion), 8 - Dennis (Ajax), 8 - Mila (Polonia).

Leading scorers:

7 - Cumming, Latif (Croatia), 5 - Smallman (Ajax), 5 - Marshall, Przybyla (Polonia) Nolan (Croydon)

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AJAX.....	5	3	1	14	4	13
POLONIA.....	5	3	1	14	9	13
Northcote.....	5	2	2	13	11	12
Fawkner.....	4	3	2	13	10	11
Croydon.....	4	2	3	13	11	10
Box Hill.....	4	2	3	12	10	10
Morwell F.....	4	1	4	12	15	9
Doveton.....	3	2	4	16	8	9
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Albion R.....	0	3	6	2	15	3
Wilhelmina.....	1	1	7	5	18	3
Hellas.....	0	2	7	11	22	2

NEAR RIOT AT GULLY

GREEN GULLY AJAX 2 (Smallman 20th, penalty 37th) SUNSHINE-GEORGE CROSS 0 at Green Gully Reserve, Sunday.

GREEN GULLY AJAX: Dony 7 - Peter Lewis 8, Short 8, Cannell 8, Hopton 7 - Vassallo 9, Smallman 8, Doyle 8, Williams 7 - Todd 8 (in). Mancinelli H.T. 7, Paul Lewis 7. Coach: Len McNamara.

SUNSHINE-GEORGE CROSS: Tachris 6 - McKinnley 7, Richardson 5, Taylor 5 - Stevenson 7, Bennett 7, Bain 6 - McGorran 7, Pate 6, Gilder 7. Coach: Tommy Straynor.

As players, bruised and battle weary, returned to their dressing rooms at half time, Sunshine-George Cross supporters staged a violent demonstration against the referee, forcing him to send a message to the on-duty sergeant of police, via Ajax team manager Mario Borg, asking for police reinforcements before he would allow the second half to get under way.

The half time break was extended by over 15 minutes but the arrival of 10 extra police quickly quelled the ire of the combine fans, enabling the game to restart.

The first half of this Maltese derby had been a torrid affair, especially for Ajax striker Bobby Toal, once a favorite of George Cross supporters until transferring to Balmain rival Ajax earlier this year for \$4,500. Toal was the subject of some fierce physical challenges dealt out by the combine defence, so much so that he couldn't re-appear after the extended half time interval.

Curiously enough, Ajax surer Arnold Langer was approached by a George Cross fan on the day before this derby and offered a \$100 bet that Toal wouldn't be playing

the field and were announced to the crowd with both christening and surname given. Now came the hard part. Croydon ran onto the pitch. Lou Kastner, right, Mike Rainey, Steve McCombe, fine, then came Brown, Hobson, Jimmy Rooney was next. Even Jack Hamilton knows him. Paul Wade was fine. Then came Nolan, Irvine and Sweeney. Last was Peter Loughnane. For the ground announcer's edification here are the full names (i.e. christian names attached) of Croydon's "weird" bunch:

GARY Hobson, MARK Brown, TERRY Nolan, JOE Sweeney and STEVE Irvine. All honest to goodness anglo-saxon stuff, so easy, surely, to commit to memory.

Finally, came the announcement that Dundee United had won the Scottish Premier League championship by beating local rival Dundee 2-1 in its last match of the season. "The scorer of the winning goal is a player well known to Victorian soccer fans - Eamon Bon

in the second half. Langer declined the offer, with hindsight a wise decision.

For the first time since its outstanding Ampol Cup triumph this year, State League champion Ajax was able to field its strongest side. Willie Vassallo had a fine game in midfield, constantly engineering forward thrusts. Vassallo was unlucky not to put Ajax 3-0 up in the 40th minute when his shot from about 12 metres struck the upright.

"Rocky" Tachris was back in goal for the combine, his first State League game this year since sorting out his registration wrangle with Northcote.

Ajax hit the front after 20 minutes. Stuart Cannell headed to David Smallman from a Jim Williams corner and the former Welsh international slammed the ball home from two metres out.

A few minutes later combine fans were incensed when play was waved on after Mick McGorran was challenged by Dave Hopton. Their anger was heightened by a penalty awarded to Ajax in the 37th minute after Paul Lewis was brought down inside the Sunshine-George Cross area. Smallman converted from the spot to make it 2-0.

The second half was a tame affair in comparison with the first stanza. The combine certainly is improving but it found the well drilled Ajax defence a constant stumbling block. Young Fab Mancinelli, who replaced Toal during the interval, did well in the second half, twice setting up chances for Paul Lewis but last year's leading State League scorer was unable to finish.

Irvine blows chance to shatter the stalemate

MELBOURNE CROATIA 0 CROYDON 0 at Olympic Park No. 1, Sunday.

MELBOURNE CROATIA: Blasby 8 - Curdie 7, Parton 8, Adams 7, Blavier 6 - Biskic 7 (McClunie 7th), Fawkner 7, Antolevic 7, Gojovic 6 - Latif 6 (Brogan 6th), Cumming 7. Coach: John Gardiner.

CROYDON: Kastner 7 - Rainey 7, McCombe 6, Brown 7, Hobson 7 - P. Loughnane 8, Nolan 6, Rooney 7, Wade 8 - Irvine 7 (L. Loughnane 8th), Sweeney 7. Coach: Bill Macfarlane.

The longer this game dragged on the more it seemed that a single goal would prove decisive. Croydon have struck that all important blow in the 70th minute.

Steve Irvine pressured the last Croatia defender, won the ball but had his shot from eight metres smothered superbly by Peter Blasby. The ball rebounded to Paul Wade on the left. His far post chip was headed down by Peter Loughnane to Irvine who again had to watch in dismay as yet another Blasby smotherer denied him, this time Irvine shooting from about six metres out.

Those two chances were gilded. Sure, both sides created chances but the Irvine ones were clearly the best of the game. They should have been converted. Then again, had Croydon won 1-0 Croatia would have been a bit hard done by.

I'm not going to log the missed chances with times and culprits. Let's use this match report space for a little good natured fun.

There are a couple of things I'd like to point out to the ground announcer. His choice of pre-match music was rather baffling. My sense of the ridiculous was heightened as I sat in the cold concrete bunker which Olympic Park's board of management calls a press box, listening to the number one song on the anglo-saxon imperialist hit parade, "Rule Britannia", thinking of the import of this anachronistic propaganda on the predominantly Croatian fans in the grandstand. Hmmm. There was more, much more.

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Juventus grabs top spot

RINGWOOD WILHELMINA 0 BRUNSWICK JUVENTUS 2
(Rogers penalty 53rd, Nelson 55th) at Jubilee Park, Sunday.

WILHELMINA: Jansson 7, Pasmann 6, de Cort 6, Brooks 6, Vermeers 6 — Tattersall 6 (Gibson 55th), Tront 7, Burton 5 (Whyte 75th) — Cork 6, Thom 6, Stewart 7. **Coach:** Nick van Eygen.

JUVENTUS: Clayton 7 — V. Bannan 8, Swinscoe 8, Drinovsky 6, Lloyd 8 — Nelson 6, French 6, Incantalupo 6 (Gormella H.T. 7). **Coach:** John Mangan.

Depleted Juventus was put to a hard test by a lively Ringwood Wilhelmina in the first half of their encounter at Jubilee Park, but took over in the second half, running out an easy winner.

Much of the credit must be put to Ged Bannan who put in an outstanding display as a ball winner in midfield to break-up opposition moves and propel his team into attack. In the second half he gained an equally determined partner in Kevin Swinscoe who was moved forward from his usual starting position as a sweeper in place of suspended captain Pat Bannan.

Without injured Zinni and

with Fabio Incantalupo obviously having his mind already in Mexico, Juventus forward found it difficult to pass the orange defence where Brooks and Jansen were outstanding.

At the other end Tront, Tattersall and Stewart were working hard to create scoring chances and twice produced sitters, but the Thom shot wide from close range in the 16th minute and three minutes later Burton saw Clayton diving brilliantly to the left to push a similar shot out for a corner.

In the 28th minute Juventus took a free-kick with Ged Bannan putting the ball, through Billy Rogers' legs to Fabio Incantalupo waiting past the defensive wall. The young soccerero's angled thunderbolt was just deflected on to the foot of the upright, and out for a corner, by diving keeper Rick Jansen.

In the 53rd minute Ged Bannan, from the right wing, lobbed the ball over Jansen's head across the face of goal for French at the far post. Brooks obstructed French's

movement and referee Gaut correctly awarded a penalty and Rogers easily converted.

Two minutes later Nelson took advantage of a defensive blunder by Ringwood Wilhelmina and drew out Jansen, rounded him, then slammed the ball into the open goal.

In the 62nd minute French hit the bar with a spectacular lobbing shot from 25 metres from a Ged Bannan pass. In the 85th minute Swinscoe sent a great shot whistling just past the post after a brilliant solo effort and three minutes later Wilhelmina was lucky to survive two consecutive dangerous scrambles in the goal mouth.

Rogers, not at his brilliant best, finished the game with a lingering back pain from a nagging injury, having taken the field only because of the serious shortage of players and may be in doubt for next week, but Zinni will definitely return as will Pat Bannan.

The Juventus dressing room exploded with euphoria at the news of Croatia's draw, which made Juventus the solitary leader of State League.

— ROCKY DI ZIO

Vasic back in form

Former Footscray J.U.S.T. striker Drgan Vasic hit the goal trail on Saturday, scoring twice in Richmond's 2-0 win over Altona Gate on Saturday.

German sponsored Richmond has had an unsettled season to date. Jim Adam was replaced as coach by Mike Kulpin who in turn has been replaced by former Kellor Australia coach Hans Koller. Provisional League Fourth Division club, Diamond Valley, will officially open its \$80,000 social club on Saturday before its vital league match against leader North Sunshine. Valley lies in third spot in Fourth Division and this match will have a crucial bearing on the promotion prospects of the progressive club.



Drgan Vasic

METROPOLITAN DIVISION ONE

KEW CELTIC 0 KNOX CITY 1 (Crompton 78th) at Stradbroke Park, Saturday

KEW CELTIC: Green 8 — Thompson 6, Train 7, Smale 8, Droudie 8 — Parsons 8 (Houston 80th), McElhinney 7, Pagliuso 6, Gary Keenan 6 — George Keenan 6, Campbell 7. **Coach:** Terry Hargreaves.

KNOX CITY: McKelvey 8 — Olson 6, Schroeder 8, Blasinger 7, Fitzpatrick 7 — Wild 7, Smith 6, Leibrall 8 — Crompton 7, Tunstall 6 (Gierick 48th), House 6. **Coach:** Eric Leibrall.

This tense battle, highlighted by a strong midfield tackle, was spoiled by a mistake from a linesman and referee Chris Brambridge, neither of whom saw Knox's House control the ball with his arm in the 78th minute. Almost everywhere else at Stradbroke Park saw the incident however, with Kew appealing for what seemed an obvious handball. House crossed low to Crompton who slammed the ball into the roof of the net for the winner.

Robin Parsons should have given Kew the lead in the 60th minute. A superb through ball from Gary Keenan sent goalkeeper McKelvey, then deployed as it to make sure of scoring. He only succeeded, however, in allowing two Knox defenders to recover onto the goal line, then from a tight angle Parsons shot over.

Two fine interceptions from Kew defender George Droudie denied Knox substitute Gierick from breaking through in the second half. But all of Kew's effort proved worthless. The incident and subsequent decisive goal in the 78th minute, saw to that.

Kew has a bye this weekend so the club has taken the chance to organise a family day at Stradbroke Park this Saturday afternoon, starting at 2 pm, featuring an all-star clash between Kew City and the Celtic Supporters' Club.

DIVISION TWO

NORTH DANDENONG 2 (Collier 25th, Wainwright penalty 64th) at Lois Twohig Reserve, Saturday

NORTH: Beardsall 6, Taylor 6, Wainwright 6, Coates 6, McMillan 6, Byrne 6, R. Nelson 7, Morgan 6, Mackie 6 (last 60th), Collier 6, Megnano 6. **ST ALBANS DINAMO:** Leacock 6, Rachewski 6, Juttel 6, Nobilo 6, Czolnowski 6, Brklyevic 6, Maric 6, Voljek 6, Matosavac 6, Botinovic 6, Dzic 7.

North Dandy inflicted the first defeat for the season on Billy Vojtek's St. Albans Dinamo.

North took the lead after 25 minutes when Neil Collier out-

paced the Dinamo defence to an Ian Mackie header and calmly sidefooted last the on-rushing Lacock.

After the interval, North soaked up the pressure applied by Dinamo, striking on the break, and it was from one such move that Rachewski was forced to handle a dangerous cross from right back Taylor which was bound for substitute Dave Nelson inside the six yard box. Dave Wainwright sent Lacock the wrong way from the spot and North easily played out the game despite the loss of Mackie with 20 minutes left.

DIVISION THREE

YALLOURN 1 (Collings 38th) ELTHAM 1 (Norton 74th)

ELTHAM: Graham 6, Alderson 8, M. Cirka 6, Cutley 6, Haddie 7, Lewis 6, Harman 6, Woodward 6 (Gardner 75th), McArthur 6 (F. Cirka 60th), Raynes 6, Norton 6.

YALLOURN: Dulja, Wilson, Conn, Douglas, Pavlovic, Thompson, G. Hinfat, Trent, Henderson, Collings, Lawton.

Eltham made a great improvement in the second half of its match at Yallourn. The home team had gone ahead in the 38th minute through Collings and was all over the visitors. Coach David Garthwaite did not mince his words at half-time and Eltham knuckled down to its task and the equaliser came when Davy Norton scored with a shot from a narrow angle in the 74th minute.

DIVISION FOUR

MOORABBIN CITY 5 (Bris 78th, 83rd, Gregory 30th, 88th, Beshop penalty 60th) GEELONG 2 at Victory Park, Saturday

In the 30th minute Steve Gregory put the home side ahead with a shot from the right side of the area. A fine header levelled the scores in the 35th minute.

Moorabbin again hit the front in the 60th minute when Trevor Bishop converted from the penalty spot but Geelong hit back eight minutes to again draw level.

With just 12 minutes left John Bris, ex-Croatia, put Moorabbin ahead 3-2 with a shot from the left touchline. Bris put the game out of Geelong's reach five minutes later and Gregory rounded off the scoreline with two minutes left.

Moorabbin's best: West, Bris, Morgan.

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BOX HILL 4 (Priestley 5th, Azzopardi 7th, Verechia 48th, McDonald 70th) ALBION ROVERS 1 (Gray 8th) at Wembley Park, Sunday.

BOX HILL: McKelvey 7 — I. Roodhouse 6, Brownlie 6, Lawler 7, A. Roodhouse 8 — Hughes 6, Miranda 6, McDonald 6 — Azzopardi 6, Verechia 6, Priestley 6. **Coach:** Bill Murray.

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LA JUVENTUS SOLA AL COMANDO OTTIMO IL FAWKNER, DELUDE IL MORWELL

La nona giornata del campionato di Lega Statale del Victoria ha visto il concretizzarsi delle indicazioni che erano affiorate nelle ultime settimane, con la Juventus rimasta sola al comando della classifica, il meritorio paraggio del Fawkner sul difficile campo del Polonia e un'altra pesante sconfitta del Morwell, anche questa volta da un avversario di massimo rispetto, il Northcote.

La vittoria della Juventus sul modesto Ringwood non era affatto scontata alla vigilia, sia perché gli olandesi avevano in Nick Van Egmond, l'allenatore subentrato a De Bruckere, la classica "scoperta" che rende meglio, sia soprattutto perché le file juventine erano pericolosamente assottigliate a causa di infortuni, sospensioni e partenze. E dei dieci titolari rimasti almeno Rogers non avrebbe dovuto giocare perché sofferente per una dolorosa condizione schienale che si è aggravata durante la partita e che lo mette seriamente in dubbio per la prossima settimana.

Margaritis ha dovuto perciò "rimangiarsi" la promessa di non utilizzare Incantalupo alla vigilia della sua partenza per il Messico ed ha promesso dalle riserve Geremia, per altro già ampiamente provato l'anno scorso con ottimi risultati, e Mitrovic. L'assenza di Pat Bannan e la condizione fisica di Rogers costringevano il tecnico bianconero a schierare Swinscoe nell'insolita posizione di libero, con Lloyd a centrocampo.

Questa "inedita difesa" accusava degli scompensi e almeno due volte nel primo tempo lasciava buchi paurosi ma Thom sparava fuori di poco e Burton vedeva il suo tiraccio da distanza ravvicinata parato da Clayton con un portentoso tuffo. Dall'altro lato Nelson e French non riuscivano a ingranare e il solo Incantalupo preoccupava la attentissima difesa olandese guidata da Brooks, anche se in due sporadici affondamenti Nelson che Lloyd colpivano la traversa.

Nella ripresa Geremia prendeva il posto di Incantalupo nella squadra, schierandosi in difesa a marcare Cork, con Hird e Drinoksky che si alternavano nella posizione di estremo difensore. Questo permetteva a Swinscoe di avanzare al centrocampo al quale dava

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una completa nuova fisionomia, affiancandosi brillantemente ad un superlativo Ged Bannan. Lloyd avanzava in attacco che con lui acquistava più incisività e, meglio riforniti, sia Nelson che French crescevano anche di tono.

Le due reti messe a segno non sono state niente di speciale: la prima su rigore per ostacolo a French, trasformato da Rogers, e il secondo risultante da un errore difensivo che regalava una palla d'oro a Nelson, solo in posizione centrale appena fuori l'area. Il ragazzo, con molta freddezza, indugiava abbastanza per fare uscire il portiere avversario, quindi lo aggirava subito nella stessa partita, la Juventus deve fare qualcosa immediatamente per rinforzare i suoi ranghi, specialmente l'attacco, perché i

segnatura più vistosa ma French colpiva la traversa con un tiraccio spettacolare che aveva già fatto gridare al goal e Nelson e Lloyd mancavano alcune altre buone occasioni per poco.

Oltre alla magnifica prova di Ged Bannan, e degli altri difensori, da segnalare il ritorno di Hird al meglio delle sue possibilità. Con Incantalupo ormai in Messico, Rogers in dubbio a causa della sua schiena malandata, anche se rientreranno Pat Bannan che non ha ricevuto ulteriore squalifica dopo la settimana automatica per espulsione contro il Green Gully, e Zinni ristabilitosi dopo l'incidente subito nella stessa partita, la Juventus deve fare qualcosa immediatamente per rinforzare i suoi ranghi, specialmente l'attacco, perché i

prossimi due impegni contro Northcote e Box Hill saranno molto più impegnativi di quello di domenica scorsa contro il Ringwood.

FAWKNER MATTIA DI GIGANTI

Il Fawkner, che sembra giochi molto meglio contro avversari blasonati, ha condotto a termine un'altra grande impresa cogliendo un punto prezioso in trasferta contro quel Polonia che aveva battuto Morwell (prima che i Falcons entrassero in serie negativa) e la stessa Juventus. L'incontro si presentava ancora più difficile per la rivalità dell'ex allenatore del Fawkner, ora alla guida del Polonia, Mike Lyns. I lanciatissimi polacchi sono stati fermati sullo zero a zero dalla tattica accorta di Kirkovic e dalla generosa pre-

stazione dei "giovani leoni" azzurri che sono riusciti a neutralizzare le pericolose punte Marshall e Pryzbila e a farla in barba al miglior libero del Victoria, Mita, andando vicino anche al marcatore in un paio di occasioni.

Questo ottimo ritorno di forma e di temperamento del Fawkner ha ben sperato per domenica quando ospiterà a Jukes Road il pericoloso Croatia. Non ci sarebbe da sorprendersi se gli azzurri riuscissero a impattare per la quarta volta contro una delle massime squadre del torneo, poiché consideriamo Kondarios, Fattare e Terzini capaci di domare le macchine goal di Cunningham e Latif. E, se il Croatia si scoprirà troppo alla ricerca del goal, non c'è da escludere che Cozzella, Tuffoli o il sornione Palinkas riescano a infliggere "Blaiby, Sars" indubbiamente una partita interessantissima che il Croatia semmai potrà considerare vinta solo al fischio finale e non certo in fase di pronostico né in qualsiasi momento della partita. Intanto la marcia del Fawkner verso il quarto posto si sta rendendo sempre dell'ostacolo Croatia la renderebbe quasi scontata.

Due tette che possono essere giustamente orgogliose dell'ottimo comportamento dei ragazzi di Kirkovic sono la "Schipano Home Furniture" dei fratelli Pat e Domenico Schipano, che ha i suoi grandi magazzini a Thomastown e Moonee Ponds, e della Fioriente Imports, dei fratelli Peter e Frank Di Cosmo, importatori di pregiate mattonelle di ceramica e con sede in Lygon Street, East Brunswick. Le due coppie degli sportivi-simili fratelli hanno recentemente firmato accordi con i sponsor principali del club, facendo affluire nelle casse del Fawkner la bella cifra di \$25.000 che, fra l'altro, ha reso più facile i recenti acquisti di Kondarios e Cozzella. Il loro

esempio dovrebbe essere seguito da tanti industriali italiani di Melbourne che continuano ad ignorare lo sport sia come fonte di ottima pubblicità che come una responsabilità morale per coloro che dalla comunità hanno derivato ricchezza e posizione sociale.

MORWELL GIU' DI CORDA

Come facevamo notare la settimana scorsa, la facile vittoria contro il modesto Ringwood non risolveva di colpo tutti i problemi del Morwell. Domenica scorsa i Falcons sono stati severamente battuti da un Northcote molto consistente.

I problemi del Morwell, oltre ad una difesa non proprio brillante, nonostante gli ottimi Whiteside e Irvine, potrebbero essere individuati con una sola parola: cuore. Appare evidente infatti che la maggior parte dei pezzi da quaranta messi assieme da Boggi quest'anno (gente come McGuinness, Evans, Young, che sono da considerare fra i migliori giocatori del campionato) non hanno quella spinta morale per rendere al loro meglio.

Puskas, Wright

Billy Wright and Ferenc Puskas, rivals when Hungary humbled England 6-3, 30 years ago, were introduced to the crowd before the teams met again in the European Championship at Wembley.

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Teletext has withdrawn \$16 million offer to the Football League to show matches in pubs and clubs which leaves the way open for the BBC/ITV to yet clinch a TV contract.

Breakaway

A Super League for England and a possible breakaway by Scotland's Premier League clubs which want more voting power and more cash from the League's Pools pay-out cannot be discounted in the near future. Several behind-the-scenes meetings have taken place of late on these issues.

Challenges

Bob Paisley, the Liverpool supreme, is to retire at the end of the season, says that looking ahead he sees Manchester United as Liverpool's biggest challenger next season, followed by Tottenham Hotspur.

Roma fans celebrate

Rome was awash in yellow and red as the Italian soccer season finished and the capital's fans celebrated Roma's first league title triumph in 41 years.

The packed Olympic Stadium went delirious as Roma, which clinched the championship last week, beat Torino 3-1 with goals from Roberto Pruzzo, from the penalty spot, Brazilian star Falcao and world cup hero Bruno Conti.

Soccer authorities waived their usual ban on live coverage of league games, and a huge television screen was set up in the Piazza Del Popolo in Rome's city centre.

European cup hopefuls Juventus, who meet Hamburg of West Germany in the final in Athens on May 25, beat Genoa 4-2 to finish second, one point behind the new champions.

Frenchman Michel Platini scored twice to finish the season as the first division's top scorers with 18 goals.

Bells rang out across Rome and Vatican Radio joined in the Euphoria, broadcasting some of the Pope's thoughts on sport.

"Italy are the world champions and Roma are champions of Italy, the best of the best," proclaimed one fan dancing down the street with the "Giallorossi" (yellow-red) colours draped across his shoulders.

The city has been working itself into a fever since Roma took an unsualist lead over Juventus with a draw at Genoa last week.

Improvvised red and yellow bunting adorns streets where the official names are covered with cardboard signs reading "Via Paolo Roberto Falcao" and "Piazza Bruno Conti", while streetsellers are doing a roaring trade in badges, hats, flags, banners and assorted Roma paraphernalia.

The church railings and the trees on one suburban street are painted in red and yellow stripes, while balconies and window ledges are festooned with flags, scarves, sheets, shirts, socks — everything and anything in the appropriate colours.

In the Borgo quarter near the Vatican, fans kneel to kiss a huge image of Falcao painted on the road.

One group of fans took a lead from Chinese new year dragons and staged a battle between a huge wolf, symbol of Rome, and a zebra with the black and white stripes of Juventus.

Weekend results: Ascoli 2 Cagliari 0, Catanzaro 1 Inter 2, Juventus 4 Genoa 2, Napoli 1 Cosenza 0, Pisa 0 Fiorentina 0, Roma 3 Torino 1, Sampdoria 2 Verona 2, Udinese 1 Avellino 1.

Final league standings:

	R	D	L	F	A	P
Roma	10	11	6	24	43	
Juventus	15	10	5	22	40	
Inter Milan	11	15	4	41	28	
Verona	11	13	6	37	35	
Florentina	12	10	8	30	25	
Udinese	6	20	4	26	28	
Sampdoria	8	15	7	21	31	
Torino	9	12	8	28	20	
Avellino	8	12	10	25	20	
Napoli	7	14	9	22	20	
Fiorentina	8	11	11	27	27	
Genoa	6	15	9	34	27	
Ascoli	8	9	12	32	27	
Cagliari	8	14	13	23	20	
Catanzaro	4	14	12	22	32	
Cosenza	2	9	18	21	68	13

Cagliari, Cosenza and Catanzaro relegated.



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DVA DERBIJA BEZ GOLOVA

Dva lokalna derbija Nacionalne lige u Melbourneu razočarali su brojne gledaoce, koji nisu videli nijedan gol za 180 minuta igre. Neoporno, više je vatre i uzbuđenja bilo na igralistu JUST-a, gde je Heidelberg dva puta pogodio prečku. JUST jednadru, dok je Vlatko Belic izbio loptu sa gol crte. Što nije postignut makar jedan gol nisu krive samo prečke već i sudija Sam Zumas, koji je tesko ostetio "plave" u 85. minutu, kada je zatajila njegova pistajla iako je penal bio "čist kao suza".

Neoporno Alexander je imao više od igre, ali po samom JUST-u je bio blizu pobeđi. "Plavi" su prebrodili krizu, koja je nastala zbog naglih i velikih promena u igračkom kadru. Potrebno je još malo vremena da se ova ekipa međusobno bolje upozna i igra, pa će biti više sreće i zadovoljstva u "plavom" taboru.

Utakmica između Helasa i Makedonije bila je manje uzbuđujuća, jer su obe odbrane bile na visini zadatka. Ipak, po igri u drugom poluvremenu Helas je bio blizu pobeđi. Međutim, prave sante nije stvorio ni jedan tim, iako je Helasov strelac Charlie Egan bio najbolji igrač ove utakmice.

Za Makedoniju je opet bio najbolji Zarko Odzakov, ma da je dobio žuti karton, koji suđenje olako delo, cesto po simpatijama ili održanju autoriteta. Zaboravljaju da je najbolji onaj sudija koji se najmanje cuje i vidi. Cesti zvižduci stvaraju nervozu i incidente, koji uticu na tok igre.

U nedelju 22. maja JUST igra u Sidneju protiv St. Georga. Igrač JUST-a najviše vole utakmicu u Sidneju, jer tvrde da u tome gradu imaju najbolje navijače, koje ne bi izneverili po cenu života. Zbog toga u Sidneju postizu najbolje rezultate.

Makedonija dočekuje na svom igralistu, gde je nepobediva ove sezone, Sydney City. Očekuje se nova pobeda "crveno-belih" i povratak na prvo mesto, koje je prepusteno Newcastleu, najvećem iznenađenju ove sezone.

CROATIA ZAOSTAJE

Posle 9. kola Juventus je postao lider Državne lige, dok Croatia i Ajaksu zastaje kad. Croatia je neo-

čekivano ostavila bod u Croydonu, dok je Fawcner zaustavio ambiciju Poloniji, koja takođe najavljuje preporod. Croatia može dovesti još jedno neugodno iznenađenje iduce nedelje u Fawcneru. Neće biti lako ni Juventus protiv Northcote City, niti Green Gully u Croydonu.

PRVA DIVIZIJA

Vasica RICHMOND je pobeđio ALTONU GATE/VARDAR sa 2:0 (1:0), što je donelo rodadu na zaceļu table prve divizije. Richmond je ustupio poslednje mesto Vardaru, kome predstoji teska borba za opstanak. Mendo Ristovski je igrao drugo poluvremeno, ali nije bio ni senka onog Mende, koji je pre 4 godine spustio na kolena škopskog Vardara na Middle Parku. Dragan Vasic je postigao oba gola za Richmond. Pored dva gola, Richmond nije iskoristio jedan jedanaesterac. Iduce nedelje Altona Gate/Vardar je domacin Werribee-u, koji se takođe bori za opstanak, dok Richmond gostuje u subotu u Geelongu, gde igra protiv Bell Parka.

VELIKA IGRA DRUGOG TIMA JUST-A

DRUGI TIM JUST-A — ARDEER 5:0 (3:0). Seriju golova otvorio je Jorgo Gagic u 21. minutu, a posle njega upisali su se u strelce: Cane Veleviski 2, Lube Tavevski (direktno iz kornera) i Jim Fernandez (iz jedanaesterca) po jedanput. Ardeer je uspeo pozitivovanom igrom da spreči dvostruki poraz, što bi bio sasvim realan rezultat. Sastav JUST-a: Hrehoresin, P. Krlnc (Bibovic od 76. minuta), Oblak, Tavevski, Smurgrevski, Petrov, Fernandez (V. Stojkovic od 76. minuta), Kelgo-sa, Gagic, Karic, Veleviski. Rezerva je pobeđila sutradan sa 2:1 (1:0). Oba gola postigao je Emil Petrov. Sa ovom pobedom "plavi" su se popeli sa desetog na sedmo mesto druge divizije.

DRUGI TIM MAKEDONIJE — DRUGI TIM ALEK-SANDRA 1:2 (1:1). Jedini gol za Makedoniju postigao je direktno iz kornera niskom loptom Isaac Farrell. U drugom poluvremenu John Little je prebacio prečku sa 5 metara, isto tako i Boge Karevski, dok su gosti iskoristili sve što su mogli i odneli oba boda, što im je pomoglo da izjube na celo table, posto je Vojtkov St. Albans neočekivano izgubio u.

PRAHRAN/SLAVIJA — RINGWOOD/SRBIA 1:3.

Laka pobeda protiv poslednjeg na tabeli. Strelci: Tim Masters, Jim Wylie i George Gillan. Rezerva je pobeđila sa 4:2.

U subotu 21. maja Ringwood/Srbija i drugi tim Makedonije igrali su na Quambez Reserve, Wonga Road u North Ringwoodu, dok je drugi tim JUST-gost Waverley City-a Gardiners Creek Reserve, Evans Street u East Burwoodu.

PRVA PROVIZIONALNA DIVIZIJA

SHEPPARTON CITY — HAWKSBURN 3:3 (0:1). Posle dve slabe utakmice, Hawksburn je ponovo pružio dobru igru, cak je nadigrao domacina, ali je morao da se zadovolji sa jednim bodom zbog pristrasnog sudija. Pored toga što nije priznao najljepši gol ove utakmice, koji je postigao Steve Bleksanj sa 25 metara (lopta se odbila od gvozdenog stangle u mreži), produžio je utakmicu citavih 9 minuta, dok Shepparton City nije izjednačio. Strelci: Steve Derek, Edi Bacelic i Andras Kazi iz jedanaesterca. Najbolji igrači: Steve Bleksanj, Joe Sabo i Steve Derek, dok je golam Tibor Mistic, junak mnogih utakmica, imao slab dan. Rezerve su igrala nereseno 1:1 (0:1). Strelac Istvan Laslo. Najbolji igrači: Sandor Kazi, George Antal i Vlado Horgos. U subotu 21. maja Hawksburn uposuje uvek nezgodnog Langwarrina.

LALOR/SLOGA — CARLTON/MLADOST 4:3 (1:3). Zbog nedostataka kondicije, ali i jakog vetra Mladost je izgubila oba boda iako je vodila sa 3:1. Strelci za Mladost: Boris Srinovskij, Pande Capacucijevski i Cane Traj-kovski iz slobodnog udarca. Rezerva: Sloga — Mladost 2:1 (0:1). Strelac Miroslub Bubulj. U subotu 21. maja Mladost je domacin East Brunswick, ali posto nema svoje igraliste, bice gost na Balfe Parku, John Street u East Brunswicku. Lalor/Sloga odlazi u Chelsea.

UMALO IZNENAĐENJE U TREĆOJ DIVIZIJI

WEST MELBOURNE — BRATSTVO/JEDINSTVO 2:3 (1:0). Da nije usao u igru rezervni igrač Predrag Cvek i otvorio seriju golova, Bratstvo/Jedinstvo je moglo da doživi prvi poraz u prvenstvu protiv poslednjeg na tabeli. Cvek je postigao gol u 63. minutu, a posle njega dos-

su do izražaja iskusi strelci Milenko Culibrk u 71. i Milan Stojilovic u 74. minutu. Najbolji igrači: Milan Stojilovic, Marin Basic i Zdravko Dabic. Rezerva je pobeđila sa 7:0 (3:0). Strelci: Joe Francisti 4. Predrag Cvek, Vlastimir Dimic i Nebojsa Dragolevic po jedan. Nebojsa Dragolevic je prvi put igrao posle operacije kolena. U subotu 21. marta Bratstvo/Jedinstvo je domacin Mitchamu.

PASCOE VALE/PELISTER — WEST GEESENG/MAKEDONIA 1:0 (1:0). Utakmica je bila resena u 1. minutu kada je Tony Centarino postigao jedini gol. Istina, Pelister je i dalje dominirao igrom, ali nije mogao da razbije upornu odbranu Makedonije. Ipak sudija je morao jednom prilikom da pokaze na pelu tacnu u kaznenom prostoru Makedonije, što nije uradio. Rezerva je pobeđila sa 3:1 (0:0). Strelci: Cane Angelovski, Tony Kaparanovski i Venco Colakovski. U subotu 21. maja Pelister je gost Brunswick City.

ALTONA UTD./VOJVODINA — UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE 2:1 (2:0). Dobar rezultat, jer je Vojvodina nastupila bez 6 prvotimaca, a iduce subote ce biti jos teze, jer se zene Aleks Micevski i Vasilav Pira. Pomagali je povratk Vule Dupora, koji je odlazio kaznu. Strelci: Steve Vonga iz kornera i Cvetan Simonovski. Najbolji igrači: Veljko Dupor, Cvetan Simonovski i Paul Gallo. Rezerva je izgubila 0:5 (0:1). U subotu 21. maja Vojvodina je gost Burnleya.

PRVA POBEDA PLAVOG DUNAVA

PARKMORE/PLAVI DUNAV — SEAFORTH 3:1 (3:0). Strelci: Mihaj Djarnati 2 i Feri Ceh. Posle neuspelih kola, Plavi Dunav je zabeležio prvu pobedu u prvenstvu protiv visokoplasiranog Seafortha. Promena je donela smenu trenera i povratk Joe Bira. Najbolji igrači: Mihaj Djarnati, Antal Amburz i Tony Basa. U subotu 21. maja Plavi Dunav je gost Batmana.

INDUSTRIJSKO PRVENSTVO

TARNA/BOVA/SCOTT 4:3 (1:2). Tri puta je protivnik vodio, ali su veterani uspevali da izjednače u zadnjem minutu postizu pobedonosni gol. Strelci: Chris Ferguson i Misa Ristic po 2 gola. Najbolji igrači: Mendo Veleviski, Nikola Ilic i Stevan Kono-vas. U nedelju 22. maja Tarani su gosti Lezo Holida na Hansen Reserve u West Footscrayu. Maj 41 G.S. Pocetak u 10 pre podne. Amatersko prvenstvo se nastavlja u nedelju 22. maja. Crvena zvezda je gost Albanian Eagles na Melvor Reserve, Francis Street, Yarraville. Maj 41 G.10, a Bosna igra protiv Westmoudesa na igralistu Westmoudes Primary school, Erimbank Cres. Maj 6 B.6. Ova tima su u nedelju 22. maja Westmoudes je napao prvi poraz Crvenoj zvezdi za 15 meseci.

JUNIORSKI KUPOVI

Sva tri tima JUST-a, koji su igrali u nedelju 15. maja plasirali su se u drugo kolo juniorskih kupova. Ispod 11 godina: JUST — Lyndale 7:1 (3:1). Strelci: Robert Tripunovski 3, Steve Mernik, Rony Taleviski, Miro Samanovic i Damir Gnjidje po 1. Ispod 15 godina: Knox City — JUST 3:4 u produzetku igre, posto se u regularnom vremenu završila utakmica nereseno 2:2. Strelci: Igor Lopatic 2, Tony Zenovski, John Anastasiadis. Ispod 16 godina: JUST — Holland Park 4:2 (4:1). Strelci: Zoran Vajinic, Steven Hatzopoulos, Janos Volf i Peter Costadinic.

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Other players who may be tried on the right are Ilioski, Gomez, Christopoulos, Peter Katholos and Phil O'Connor who also plays on the left.

With Henderson left out, the sweeper's position is being contested by Yankos, David Ratcliffe and perhaps Arno Bertogna who however, would be better suited as stopper.

Players contesting the other positions: STOPPER: Steve O'Connor, Mike O'Shea, Bertogna, and Blair if he hasn't been excluded permanently.

FULL BACK: Perry, Mike O'Shea, Graham Jennings and perhaps Russell.

CENTRAL MIDFIELD: Christopoulos, Stone, Katholos, Ilioski, Gomez.

Arak probably will use a sweeper behind two stoppers who will mark England's two strikers.

A good central defensive tri would be: Yankos as sweeper and Bertogna and either Blair or Steve O'Connor as stoppers.

Australia's three games against England will be in Sydney on June 12, Brisbane on June 15 and Melbourne on June 19.

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TA NEA TΩN ΟΜΑΔΩΝ ΜΑΣ ΑΠΟ ΤΟ ΣΗΜΕΙΟ ΤΟΥ ΠΕΝΑΛΤΥ

NAPAPINE TO KAKO

Metá kai tñn Iσoπαλία πού έφερε ή "Ελλάς μέσoς στo γηπέδο της μέ tñn Πρoστον, φάνηκε καθαρά oτι άν συνεζήσει uά χάνει βαθμούς, σύντομα θά χάνει και εισιδήσεις. Κάτι πρέπει uά γίνει πριν είναι αργά για όλους και tñν προπονητή και tούς παρoύ-ντες.

"Η υπομονή άρχισε uά μñν έχει πoλύ περί θωρία και ό προπονητής ζαίστις θά πρέπει uά βάλει στoν πάγκο ή και uά tους στελεί στñν όμδα του στñτη λήην μερινούς τευπέληδες παίκτης.

"Ο Γοβυτιν άρκετά έχει ταλαιπωρήσει tñν κυανόλευνο σόλλογο και tάρα λως πολλοί θά κατάλαβoν oτι ό Ντoχερτυ είχε δίκιο πού tñν είχε άγνοήσει.

Metά δέν μπορούμε uά καταλήθουμε tñν έ-πυμονή του τεχνικού μέ tñν Μκρoνoν πού βρίομεται κάθε άλλο παρά σέ φόρμα.

"Αν και οί όδο ατόο παίκτης έπρεζαν μέ όρεξη έστω και tñν μισή άπό αήτή του ό-περοχου "Ηγκαν, tότε ή "Ελλάς θά είχε σι μειώσει tουλάχιστο τρία τέρματα.

Δέν έχουμε πρόθεση uά φέρουμε άνωμاليا στñν "Ελλάς άλλά ούτε έχουμε καί πρόθε-ση uά μñ γράφουμε tñν άλθεια tñν όποια στoν κάτo — κάτω tñν έλπεoν και οί φίλα θλoι μέoς στo γηπέδο.

Είναι καιρός πλέον uά παρoθούν μέτρα.

NEA ΠΙΣΤΥΧΙΑ ΤΟΥ ΜΑΔΕΡΝ ΣΙΤΥ

Τo πρωτοπόρο στñν Β' τού Προβίλκιoνu Μλ. Βερν Σίτυ νίκησε και tñν Ντάντενογk 4-1 και είναι tó φαροί όπως φαίνεται στñν κατηγορία για tñν κατάκτηση του τίτλου. "Αν καί δέχθηκε γκόλ στo 15' στñν συνέ-χεια ίσοφάρισε στo 54' μέ tñν Κυριαζόπου.

Stó 70' ό Τσoύος πήρε κόκκινη κάρτα άλλά άπό tó 75' και μετά tó Μλ.Βερν δέν πιανύ-ταν.

Stó 76' ό Λιχoδός έκανε tó 2-1 και άκο λoύθησαν όδο άκόμη τέρματα μέ tούς Κυρία ζόπουλο και Δεληγιάννη.

"Επαιζαν οί Μοκέν, Παπαδόπουλος, Τσoύος, Ξα μερβιλ (20' Μενίος), Βάρσας, Δεληγιάννης, Κυριαζόπουλος, Τζαμζής, Λιχoδός, Αρζένσας (75' Μαυρίος), Πετρίπουλος.

"Η Β' όμδα νίκησε μέ 3-2.

ΕΚΑΞΕ ΒΑΘΜΟ ΤΟ ΚΕΛΗ

Παρά tñν όπεροχή του tó "Οκλή άφησε μέoς στo Κόμο Πέρκ ένα βαθμό και βρέθηκε 3 βο θμοός πίσω άπό tó Κέλφλιντ.

"Η όμδα του Περάν άνοιξε tó σκόρ άλλά tó "Οκλή ίσοφάρισε στo 46' μέ tñν Κοντο-κίστα.

Καλύτερο οί Κιάκος, Γκιoύσις και Μπατικι ότο. "Επαιζαν οί Κένεντυ, Λουκάς, Κριβέρης, Τ.Καβαρτινίνας, Μπατικιότο, Γκιoύσις, Κοντο-κίστας, (Καμπλάνης), Κίάκος, Νταντάλιας, (Στογιάννου), Πιζιτής και Μ.Καβαρτινίνας. "Η Β' όμδα νίκησε 3-1 (Αακίωτης, Χριστοί-δης, Τσιαντοθλας).

ΑΠΛΑΣΤΟ ΤΟ ΚΟΛΟΦΑΝΤ

Μισή ντουζίνα γκόλ έβαλε tó Κέλφλιντ στñ Ν.Ελλάς και μέoς στo γηπέδο της.

Stó Α' μέρος ή πρωτοπόρος της Γ' τού Μετ-ροπoλίταν προηγήθηκε μέ 5-1 ένώ στñν έ-παυλήτη ή Ν.Ελλάς κέρτισε μία σχετική όπεροχή.

Stó 10' ό Γ.θεοχαρίδης άνοιξε tó σκόρ και στo 14' και 20' οί Σιδηρόπουλος και Σταματέλος έκαναν tó 3-0 uά μελώος δ Γκίσιος στo 26' 3-1.

Stó 30' ό Πατάσιος άνέβασε σέ 4-1 και στo 44' έλ-ε ό Ρ.Βασιλάκης έκανε tó 5-1.

για uά λήξει tó Α' ημιχροόνιο μέ πλήρη έπι κέρτηση της πρωτοπόρου.

Stñν επανάληψη ό Σταυρίδης έχασε πέναλτυ για tñν γηπεδόχο και στo 60' μείωσε 5-2. "Ο Σταματέλος πέτυχε κι' άλλο γκόλ στo 70' uά uά λείψει tó σκόρ ό Τσoύλκας μέ tó uαλτυ 6-3.

Καλύτερο οί Πατάσιος, Σιδηρόπουλος και Γ θεοχαρίδης.

"Από tñν Ν.Ελλάς φάνηκαν οί Τσoύλκας, Γκέ σιος και Σταυρίδης.

Κέλφλιντ: Ταλίος, Τριανταφυλλίδης, Τυρί-κος, Μελέτης, Τσιτιρίδης, Ααμπρoύκος (35' Πθεοχαρίδης), Σιδηρόπουλος, Γ.θεοχαρίδης, Ματσόκος, Σταματέλος, Κουλοόνας (Αντερσον).

ΠΟΛΥΤΙΜΗ ΣΕΟΠΑΛΙΑ ΤΗΣ ΠΡΩΤΟΠΟΡΟΥ ΔΟΞΑΣ

Μέoς στo λαγκοφύρνι ή άδεια Γιάρραβιλ πή-ρε Γ-1 Ισoπαλία άπό tñν δυνατή τοπική ό-μδα και συνεζήσει uά είναι άήτητη και πρωτοπόρος στo πρωτάθλημα της Α' τού Προ-βίλκιoνu.

"Η όμδα του Μάνου Μήλιου ήταν δυνατή και έκανε μία άπό tñν καλύτερες εμφανί-σεις της. Πέτυχε πρώτη τέρμα στo 27' μέ βαυμάσια κεφαλά tού Φ.Δημητρίου άλλά δ τερματoύλας στo λαγκοφύρνι στήθηκε έμπόδιο στis προσπάθειες tών παικτών της έλληνικής όμδας.

Οί γηπεδόχοι ίσοφάρισαν στo 38' ένώ 2 λεπτά uπέρταρα τραυματίστηκε ό Τζιμης Δημητρίου και άπεχώρησε.

Κανένας παίκτης της άδξας δέν όυτέρησε και έπαισαν οί Ν.Αποστολίδης, Τσoυλκίος, (75' Βανδoύκος), Ντ.Αποστολίδης, Φ.Δημη-τρίου, Αμμαντίτης, Τζερζάκης, Βοόλγαρης, Π.Δημητρίου (36' Φαυρίδης), Αιακόπουλος, Ν.Μελήτης και Πετρίδης.

"Η Β' όμδα νίκησε 2-0 μέ τέρματα tών Ξαν-οπούλου και Μανώλη.

ΤΟ ΜΙΚΡΟ ΝΤΕΣΠΙΝ ΤΟ ΠΡΕΣ Η ΚΑΑΡΙΝΤΑ

"Η Κλαρίντα μέoς στo γηπέδο της νίκησε tñν Κυριακή Σέντραλ Σίτυ μέ 5-1.

Το σκόρ άνοιξε ό Βασίλης Κωαζίνης μέ πέναλτυ και στo 75' ή έρωδoυλενική όμδα ήταν μπροστά στo σκόρ μέ 5-0.

Stó 76' ή Σέντραλ μείωσε μέ tόν Κ.Χρoύσθου σέ 5-1 πού ήταν και tó τελικό άποτέ-λεσμα.

Ξεχώρησαν οί Κ.θεοχάρους και Χρoύσoνθου. Σέντραλ Σίτυ: Σοροκόσις, Φιλίππου, Κώστας, Μίλλερ, Κ.θεοχάρους, Δημητρίου, Ζερβίδης, Α.θεοχάρους, Α.Νικολάου, Κ.Χρoύσoνθου, Ιακύνου (Χ.θεοδóρου).

Οί Ιζορήτες ή Σέντραλ προπονηtουν κάθε άευτερα στo Κόμο Πέρκ 6.00 μ.μ. μέ tñν Δέτο Ζερβίδη.

ΕΝΩΣΗ ΠΟΝΤΙΩΝ — ΣΚΟΠΕΖΜΠΥ 4-4

"Η Ένωση Ποντιών άν και έχανε στo πρώτο 12 λεπτά μέoς στo γηπέδο της μέ 2-0 στñν συνέχεια μείωσε μέ tó Κουλοόνα 2-1 άλλά οί φιλοξενούμενοι έκαναν tó 3-1 για uά πετύχει κι' άλλο τέρμα ή Ένωση μέ tόν Τ.Κατόλικο.

Μέ 3-2 εις βάρος της ή γηπεδόχος συνέχι-σε uά όπερoχει και ό Μ.Μκακόπουλος μέ πλάτιο σούτ ίσοφάρισε 3-3.

Τó Διόρoυπυ πέτυχε και τέταρτο τέρμα uά λó ό Ιρ.Κουϊρουκίδης έλκισε tó σκόρ μέ 4-4.

"Ας σημειωθεί oτι δέν άγωνίστηκε ότερμα τoύφλακος όδης και tñν όση του πήρε ό φιλόδοξος Πρωάλης Χατζιτόνης.

"Επαιζαν οί Χατζιτόνης, Καζάκης (70' Βυστρα-τίου), Μ.Μπακίδης, Μήλιος, "Ισοφρίδης, Κου σταντάρας, Τζό Κατόλιος, Μ.Μκακόπουλος, Κου λoύκας, Σ.Κουϊρουκίδης, Τζάν Κατόλιος, (Ιρ.Κουϊρουκίδης 65').



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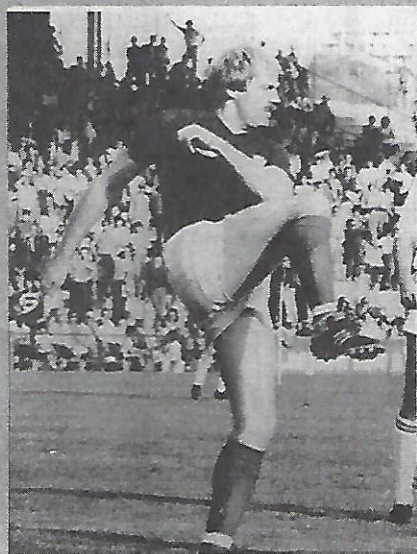
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